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Vocalists and dancers enjoy performing in the Christmas Stage Band Show.

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STUDENT LIFE



Cast

Miss Nelson: Olivia Swanigan, Valerie Leblanc
 Pop Hanson: Bradley Humphreys, Prochorus Lewis
 Adam: Tate Allen
 Cheryl: Thea Painting, Shelbie Montgomery
 Gregory: Morgan Plummer, David Ivy
 Allison: Jessica Knippers, Mattie Rials

Production Staff and Crew
 Casting Director: Joseph Elliot
 Musical Director: Jason Mathena
 Publicity Director: Connie Lambuth
 Artistic Director: Prudence McGehee
 Technical Director: Andrew Dale
 Audio/Lighting Director: Nathan Wells

Musicians
 Guitar: Chase Freeman
 Bass Guitar: Jesse McDaniel
 Drum Set: Johnathan Traigle
 Timpani and Percussion: Colt Bassemier
 Pianist: Carolyn Fenn

Student Support
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 Stage Manager: Samuel Wells
 Sound Technician: Marty White

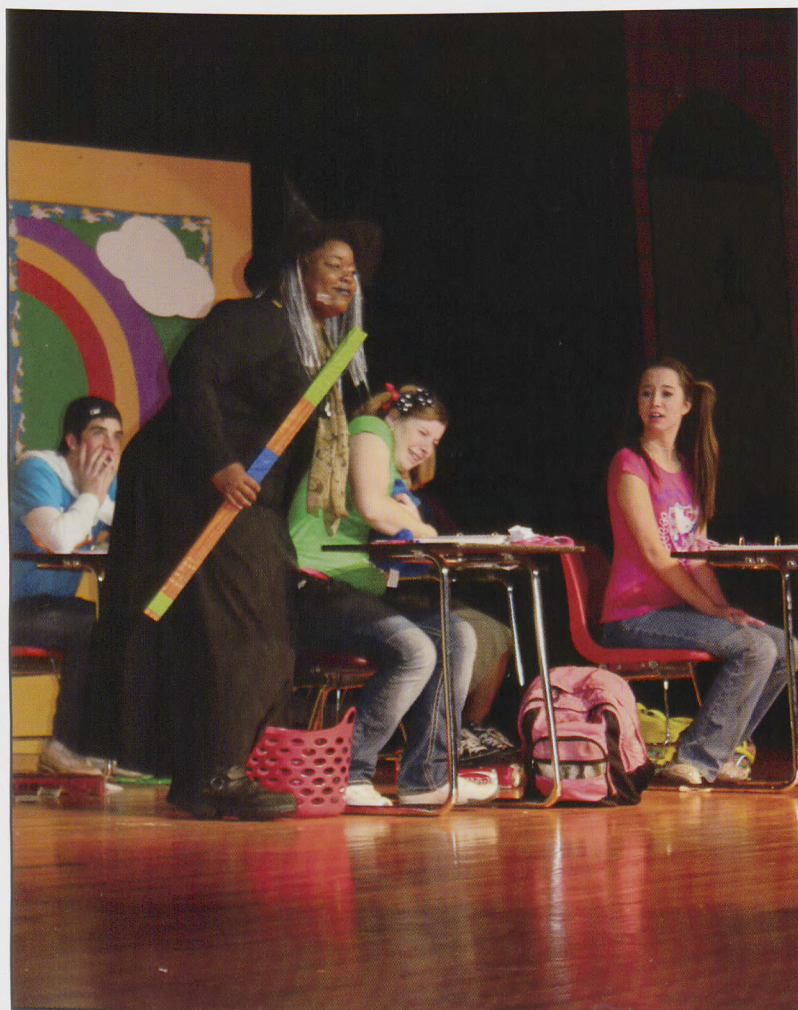
"Miss Nelson Is Missing!"

A Witty, Wacky Musical

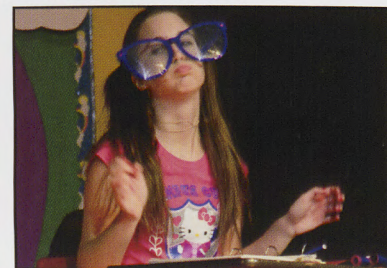
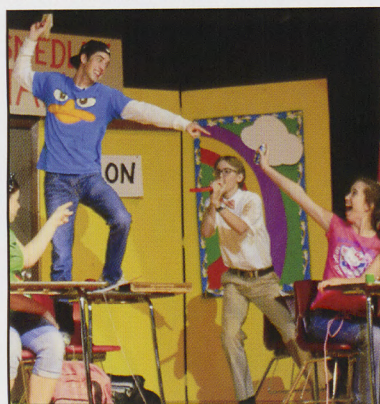
By Harry Allard and James Marshall

This year the Fine Arts Department produced a musical inspired by the famous children's book "Miss Nelson is Missing." Miss Nelson was a grade-school teacher whose students constantly take advantage of her nice nature. After an especially rowdy day in Miss Nelson's class, her students discovered that she was not coming to school the next day. A substitute, Miss Viola Swamp, showed up in her place. Swamp was a strict disciplinarian that gave the students significantly more school work than Miss Nelson ever did. The contrast between the two teachers was so great that the students went looking for Miss Nelson and made unlikely speculations about what may have happened to her. After many days of tyranny under Miss Swamp, Miss Nelson returned to class and the children rejoiced. At the end, it is implied that Miss Viola Swamp was Miss Nelson in disguise. "It was better than I expected. Although it was aimed towards children, I thoroughly enjoyed the story, and the actors made it especially amusing," Hayden Wallace.

by Renee Fortinberry



Thea Painting, Jessica Knippers, Morgan Plummer, Mattie Rials; second row: Shelbie Montgomery, Valerie Leblanc, Prochorus Lewis; third row: Olivia Swanigan, Tate Allen, David Ivy



opposite page: Shelbie Montgomery sings "Worst Kids of All;" far left: Olivia Swanigan scares the kids as Miss Swamp; left: Shelbie Montgomery, Tate Allen, Morgan Plummer, and Mattie Rials destroy their classroom; above: Mattie Rials acting up in class.



spring stage band show

MUSIC ROCKS THE DECADES

Southwest's annual Spring Stage Band Show, directed by Shelton Whittington, Rona Culotta, Nathan Wells, and Lea Touchstone, rocked the Hurst Auditorium with music and dancing. "Rockin' Thru the Decades" was the theme this year. Chelsey Ford's soulful performance of "Blue Moon" wowed the audience. The outstanding vocalists performed and danced to the tune of "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy." The New Orleans style jazz tune of "Just a Closer Walk" performed by Lacy Jackson was an audience pleaser. The Steel Pans came on stage and performed to the tunes of "Under the Sea" from *The Little Mermaid* and "Sunset." "How Great Thou Art" with Shelby Price as vocalist and Chase Freeman as guitar soloist was a crowd favorite. Tate Allen and Savanna Smith sang "Just Haven't Met You Yet." Kizzy Bester, "Southwest's Got Talent" winner, made a guest appearance on the show. "I've Had the Time of My Life" performed by the talented saxophone, trombone, tuba, trumpet, and flute players and the outstanding vocals and dancers was the closing number. The talented performers of this year's show rocked hard, mesmerizing the audience and having them wish there were more performances to come.

by Huda Mohammad



top left: Josh King, Tate Allen and Tanner Watson perform "Hit the Road Jack;" top right: Zachary Fleming plays "I've Had the Time of My Life" on the saxophone; above: Ethan Young and Alonah Malendres sing and dance to the tune of "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy;" opposite page: Jalene Dunaway dances to "I Just Haven't Met You Yet."







"Rockin' thru the **Decades**"

stage band captures songs



opposite page: Tate Allen and Savanna Smith sing "Just Haven't Met You Yet"; top left: Shelby Price performs "How Great Thou Art"; bottom: Ethan Young and JaLene Dunaway dance to the beat; top right: Jessica Knippers and Tanner Watson entertain the crowd; above: Michael Williams and Nicolette Johnson play a tune.

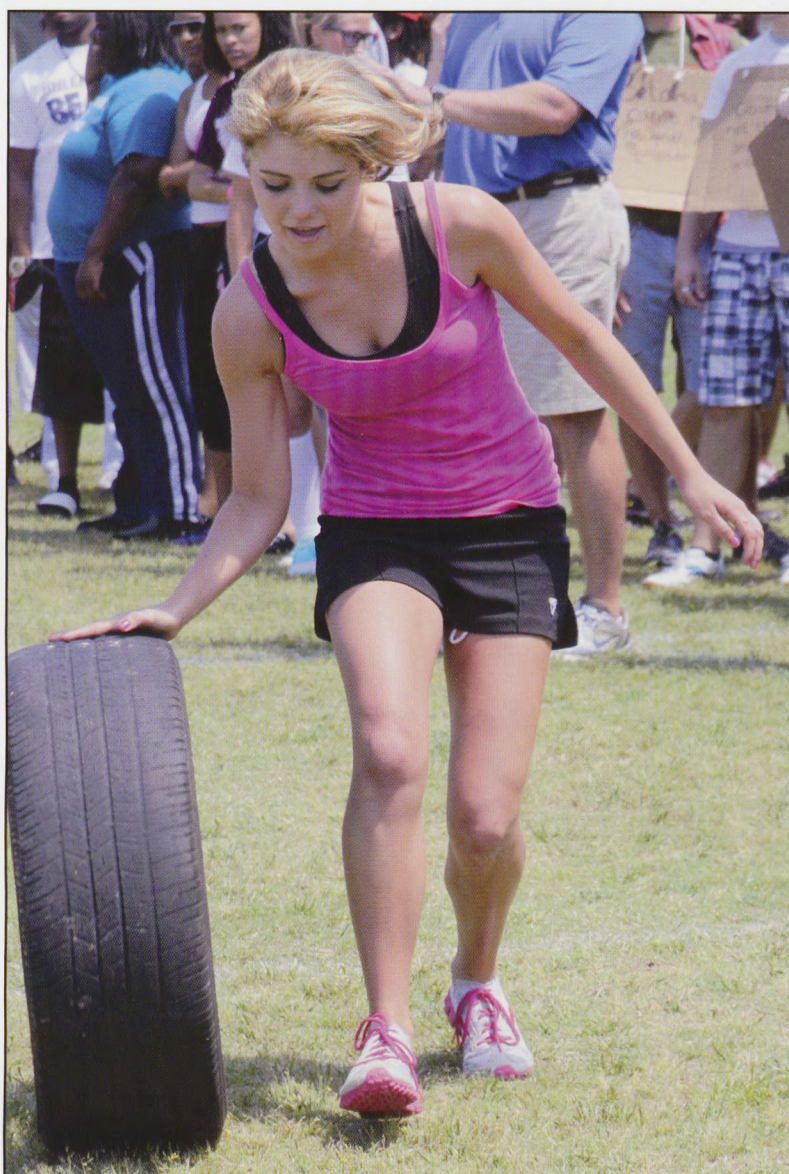
bear necessities day

students like being in motion

Students excited to leave the classrooms to participate in Bear Necessities Day ran to the field. The teams, dressed in matching shirts, gathered on the football field for a day of fun-filled competition. The first event was the half mile run. One member of each team ran as fast as he or she could to the finish line. After the half-mile run, students assembled for the softball throw. Followed by the softball throw was the famous Tug-of-War. Teams tugged on the rope with all they had to pull the other team down. With three events finished, it was time for lunch served by the cafeteria ladies. After lunch, was the famous Dr. Coney's Tire Push Relay. Team members pushed it to the limit in this timed event. When the last tire rolled across the finish line, the favorite event of the day, the Dizzy Izzy, began. Teammates laughed as members spun seven times while facing the ground then stumbled back across the finish line, while trying not to fall, to reach their teammates. When everyone could see again, two teammates, while attached at the ankles, hopped and skipped their way to victory in the Three-Legged Race. All of the teams ran with all of their might in the last event of the day, the Relay Race.

by Danielle Rimes

top: JaLene Dunaway gets dizzy with the dizzy izzy game as Mrs. Hedges counts her rotations; right: Jessica Agnor rolls a tire in the tire race; bottom: Whitney Catchum, Nikki Royal, Leanna Hill, and Kayley Blackwell tug hard in the tug-of-war race; opposite page: Victoria Price and Kaleigh Fitzgerald work together to win the 3-legged race.





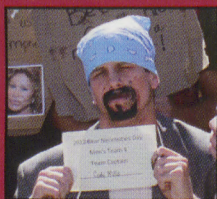


beaver day!

teams win with style



opposite page: Kuntz Klan celebrate victory; top: Cody Mills pulls opposing team across the line; above: Sarah Beth Furr's team digs in for a win.



“I love being part of the winning team.”
—Cody Mills



“Running is FUN!”
—Jessica Agnor



“Great competition at Bear Day!”
—Justin Holt



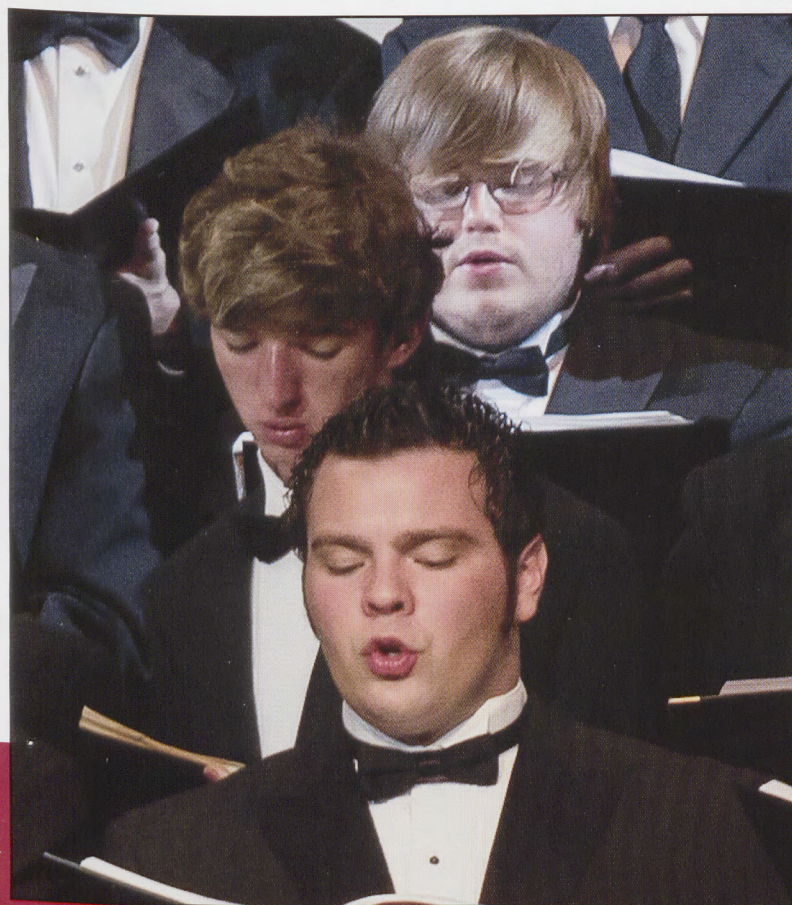


handel's "messiah"

"messiah" mesmerizes

SMCC's Foundation presented Handel's "Messiah" in the Hurst Auditorium of the Fine Arts Building. Along with Joe Elliott, other featured performers were The Mississippi Symphony Chamber Orchestra, Connie Roberts, soprano; Sarah Mabary, Mezzo soprano, Carter Collins, tenor; and Paton Rice, bass. Choir members were Megan Haraughty, Shelbie Montgomery, Emily Cothorn, Sierra Stafford, Taylor Gregory, Kaylie Crosby, Olivia Swanigan, Jamie Lee Davis, David Ivy, Emily Alford, Julia Olier, Nicole Atkinson, Kelsey Gerald, Amanda Wicker, Thea Painting, Jessica Knippers, Roban Johnson, Yaminah Johnson, Mattie Rials, Najadanika Simmons, Jesse Haralson, Lynn Hatch, Elizabeth Cutrer, Chereigna Dixon, Austin Cutrer, Tate Allen, Justin Boyd, Jesse McDaniel, Zackary Fleming, Josh King, Warren Wood, Darius Jones, Prechorus Lewis, Brian Pittman, Steven Bryan, Deangelo Ross, Bryan Stewart-Bennett, Holli Bulluck, Heather Boyd, Bradley Humphreys, Melody Pace, Adrianna Patterson, Jasmine Sargent, Brandi Smith, L.J. Smith, Matthew Steward and Ethan Young.

by Danielle Rimes



opposite page: Emily Cothorn, Emily Alford, and Jessica Knippers sing with compelling tones; top: Kaylie Crosby, Nicole Atkinson, and Kelsey Gerald offer their souls through music; right: Joe Elliott directs; left: Jesse Haralson, Bradley Humphreys, and Brian Pittman harmonize.



“
I really enjoyed
performing with
professional musicians,”
-Emily Alford





students abroad

missionaries share love

This summer, several students went on various mission trips, both nationwide and internationally. The students served in California, Ecuador, Indiana, Maryland, Ohio, Philippines, and Texas. Each student shared the gospel in many different ways. In Houston, Texas, for example, Danielle Rimes worked with the toddlers in the nursery and with the older children in Kids Club. She shared the gospel with the children by playing with them, leading them in music, leading them in a Bible study, providing snacks for them and doing arts and crafts with them. A clothing closet and a food pantry were offered as a way of sharing God's love with the people in the community. Homeless people and families in need came from all over the community to the clothes closet and food pantry to get food, clothes and other household items such as sheets, blankets and chairs.

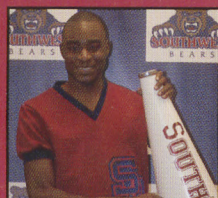
Teens Club was a way of ministering to the teenagers. Teens club offered a Bible study and time for the students to just hang out with them. Along with the children and teens, senior adults were also ministered to through a lunch offered once a week. The students also ministered to the moms by teaching them ESL (English as a second language). Several other students had the chance to share the gospel with different types of people in a variety of ways. "Ce Faci, While I was in Ocean City, Maryland, it was like I was serving in many different countries at once due to all of the international students we served over the course of the summer. Fi Binecuvantat," said Carter Kitrell, sophomore.

opposite page: top left: Taylor Allen wrestles with a child in the Philippines; top middle: Danielle Rimes explains to a child a water game in Houston, Texas; top right: Leanna Hill fulfills her role as lifeguard in Indiana; bottom right: Haley Roalson enjoys pudding painting in California; opposite page, bottom left: Carter Kitrell plays Red Rover with children in Maryland.

by Danielle Rimes



“I like how Meet the Bears brings all the students and faculty together.”
—Hilary Coney



“Everybody was hyped! I enjoyed this event; I have never seen everyone so excited. I feel like it's going to be a great year!”
—Lydenous Isaac



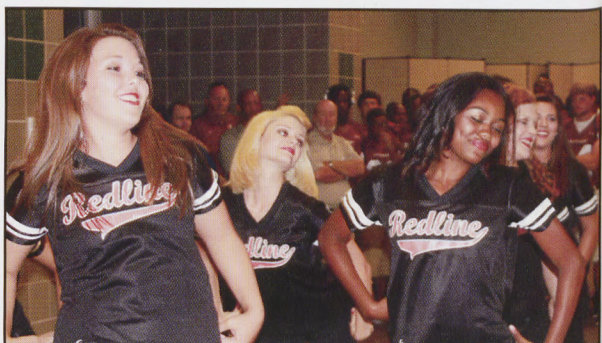
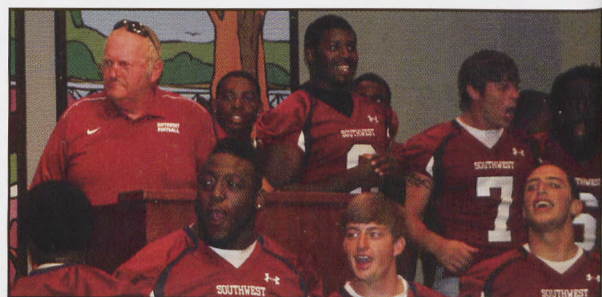
“We're going to kick butt this year!”
—Evance Bravato

meet the bears

Fans welcome bears

Walking into the Horace C. Holmes Student Union cafeteria, one would have thought from the packed house and spirited atmosphere that the crowd was there to watch an actual ball game. The four hundred people were there to see each athlete presented. Along with students, the parents of athletes, cheerleaders, and band members crowded the cafeteria to see the athletes be presented. The school's marching band started things off with a boisterous but brilliant display. Vice President of Student Affairs, Dr. Bill Ashley, pumped up the crowd with a rousing speech and “bear growl.” The first team to be presented was the girls' softball team followed by the boy's baseball team. Next up was the girls' and then boys' basketball team. Cheerleaders tumbled through the cafeteria exciting the crowd. They stunted and cheered for the school; they were so proud to be a part of the program. After their show, it was the girls' soccer team's turn to be honored. Again, the crowd was aroused by SMCC's dance team, the Red Liners. They showed off their moves while being presented by Miss SMCC's Andre' El Brown. Next was the school's very own marching band and color guard. They displayed even more electrifying music. The boys' soccer team was then presented proudly followed last but not least, the football team. After every team was presented, the Student Government Association's President, Josh King, welcomed the new students followed by Secretary, Leanna Hill, who made closing announcements. Dr. Bill Ashley then dismissed everyone with the invite to join in on ice cream and cookies. The night ended on a proud and enthusiastic note.

by Brooke Cartwright



left: Trevor Haraughty plays his saxophone; top: Katie Paulk watches Charley perform his cheer; middle: Coach Charles Anthony fires up the players; bottom: Melody Pace, and Shelby Green keep the beat as they thrill the crowd; opposite page: Tina Cunningham and Hanna Thompson pump up the crowd with their cheers.



tailgating

Friends hangout with friends

If one were to simply pass by Kenna Hall, one might have thought students and teachers alike were merely gathered for a party. However, the tailgate party preluding the Southwest vs. East Mississippi Community College football game was much more than that. The numerous students that attended had gathered on the lawn to fellowship, support their bears, and simply “hang out.” The event kicked off the evening at five thirty, an hour before the upcoming game. Students and teachers alike were treated to free food and refreshments. Will Richardson stated, “My favorite thing about the tailgate party was hanging out with my fellow bears.” There was also a fun jump which seemed to be a hit with the kids. The SMCC Bear Trackers set up their tent to fundraise during the event, selling their spirit towels. Blasting their beat, the marching band performed for the growing audience. The Red Liners dance team performed to the music, entertaining the crowd. Following the dancers, the SMCC cheerleaders pumped everyone up for the upcoming game. Even Charlie the Bear joined in on the fun to help liven up the crowd. “The atmosphere was positive and full of spirit,” said Justin Green of the festivities. As time for the game approached, fans headed for the stands. The party ended on an exciting and enthusiastic note. As everyone left, the lawn emptied only for the stands to fill and the excitement to continue.

by Brooke Cartwright



left: Hayden Wallace displays school spirit by getting his face painted by Tori Harvey; top: Charlie the Bear dances; top middle: Herbert Harrison and a friend duke it out with boxing sticks; above: Ryan Willcutt and Jessie Travis enjoy dinner and conversation while tailgating; opposite page: Megan Haraughty plays flute.







discover southwest

students KICK for tuition

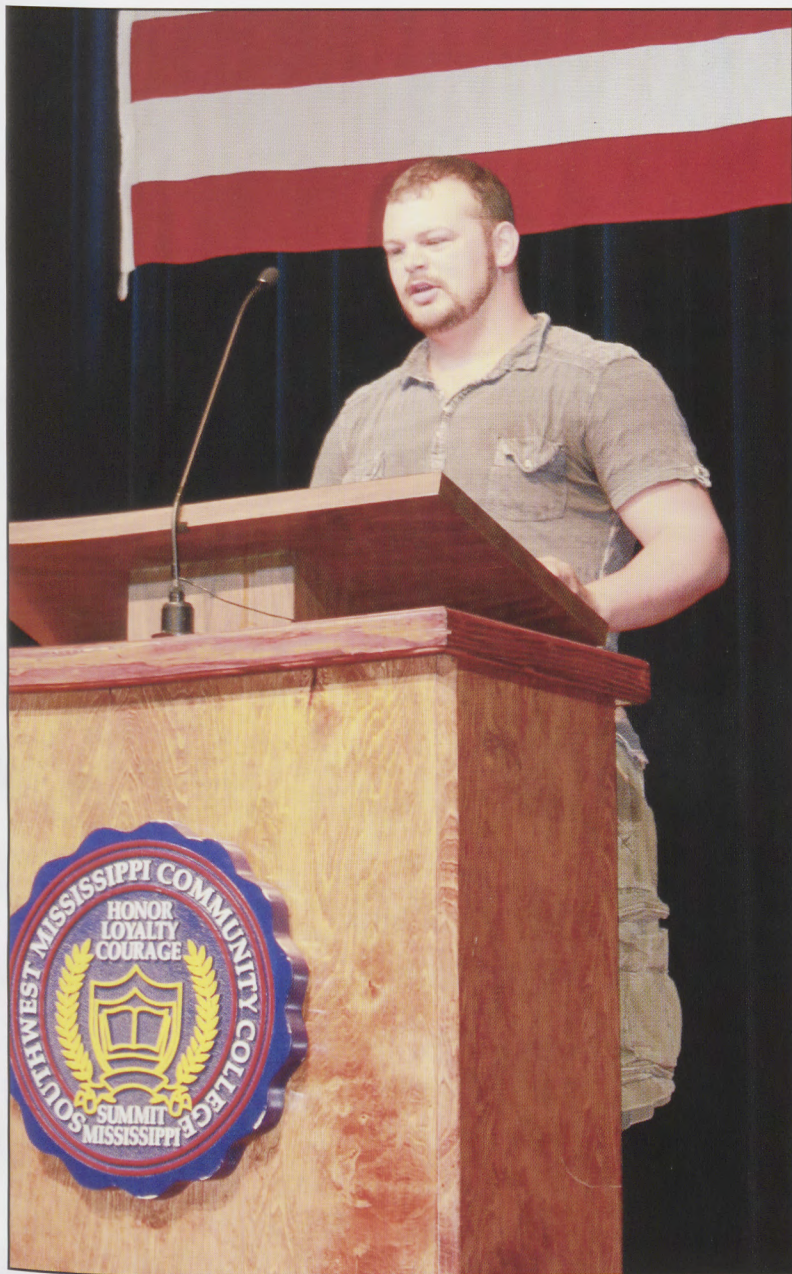
Bears gathered around the stadium to watch some good ole Bear football. Everyone was excited for the game against Pearl River. This game was also a time for local high school students to "Discover Southwest." Pat Young, academic counselor, passed out free t-shirts, concession stand tickets, and a free pass to get into the game to juniors and seniors from around the area that also came out to support the Bears; however, they were supporting their fellow classmates as well. Two students from the area kicked for "Kick for Tuition" during halftime. Sarah Lea of Parklane Academy and Austin Williams of North Pike High School took a chance at "Kick for Tuition." Both students received a thousand dollar scholarship to further their education at Southwest Mississippi Community College. The SMCC Bears played a tough fight against Pearl Rivers' Wildcats.

by Huda Mohammad

opposite page, bottom left: Melody Pace, Shelby Green, Aliyah Durr, Crystal Byrd, and Alonah Melendriz dance at halftime of bear football game; opposite page, middle: Logan Conerly, Lyderious Isaac, and Blake Brock fire up crowd; opposite page, top: Josh King plays the trumpet in the band before a bear home football game; bottom: Morgan Plummer, drum major, leads the band in a song.







campus events

the spirit of giving inspires others

Dreams came together as one at numerous Southwest Events held throughout the year. Spirits were in motion at the pep rallies as the band, dancers, and cheerleaders delivered a bolstering performance. SMCC's 2012 blood drive collected 222 pints of blood, resulting in this being the best blood drive ever! Approximately twenty-five students gathered around the flagpole to take part in the annual "See You at the Pole."

Southwest also hosted a bonfire, where the students and faculty rallied in anticipation for a blaze of glory against East Mississippi. Spiritual Emphasis week was held in the auditorium where students came together for worship. The University of Southern Mississippi and University of Mississippi were represented at the transfer fair where students were able to find out more information about each university.

by Danielle Rimes

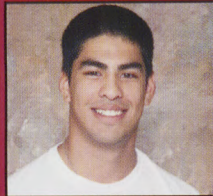
opposite page: Olivia Swanigan explains to Ubie the importance of being a blood donor; above left: Retired Specialist Josh Wells speaks to students about his experience in Iraq; bottom left: Lt. Colonel Bobby Ginn thanks Veterans during a Veterans' Day program; bottom: Huda Mohammad smiles while giving blood.



“I love being able to help by donating blood.”
—Huda Mohammad



“There is always something fun happening at Southwest.”
—Marlee Touchstone



“It is such an honor to serve this country.”
—Luis Lopez

intramurals

team competes in playoffs

“Intramural is all about good sportsmanship and having fun!”
— Carter Kittrell

Intramural activities, under the direction of Bill Wallace, gave students a chance to improve their physical well-being. “Dr. Bishop and I have been talking about it for the last couple of years that we needed some activities for our students,” said Wallace. Approximately four hundred students have taken part in the college’s intramural activities. The fall activities included flag football, ping-pong, and dodgeball. The spring activities included basketball, billiards, tennis and more ping-pong. The co-ed dodgeball, located in the recreation gym, consisted of a regular season and post-season tournament. “Dodgeball was a big hit. It was fun and exciting and very competitive. You should have seen all the people who came on campus to watch the games,” Wallace said. The flag football team traveled to Hinds Community College to compete in state competition. Players played pool and “came out the #1 seed” for the double elimination tournament. Then they went to the varsity field, under the lights, and played against Hinds in the championship game for flag football. It came down to the wire and Hinds was able to defeat SMCC with the score of 7 to 6. “It’s been a huge success. This is only the tip of the iceberg. It will help us recruit other students from other high schools. It’s just going to get better and better,” Wallace said.

by Celestial James and Danielle Rimes

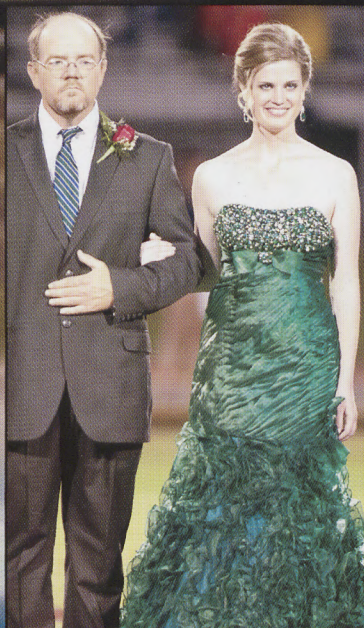
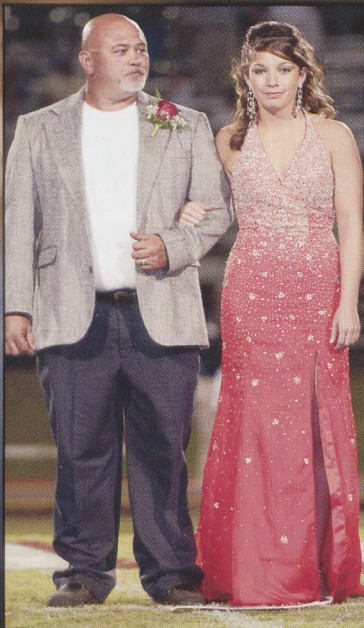


above: Flag Football team: Chris Raiford, Jaron Shannon, Trabadley Morgan, Chris Conerly, Will Laciura, Julius Allen; back row: Amos Briggs, Devin Hughes, Ron Harvey, Carter Kittrell, Sharodd Patterson, Greg Swim, Coach Bill Wallace; not pictured Mike Brown, Dealbert Pittman, Melvin Willis, Keundre Williams; top right: Brison Robinzine dunks ball; opposite page: Carter Kittrell steals the ball for a touchdown; far right: Dodgeball champions: Jake Saltalamacchia; second row: Mike Barlow, Jonathon McGonagle; third row: Will Evans, Conner Masters, Jackson Wall, Mary Margaret McLaurin; right: Basketball Champions pose with tee shirts: D.J. Harness, KeKe Williams, Brison Robinzine, Neil Quin, Chris Conerly and Coach Bill Wallace.









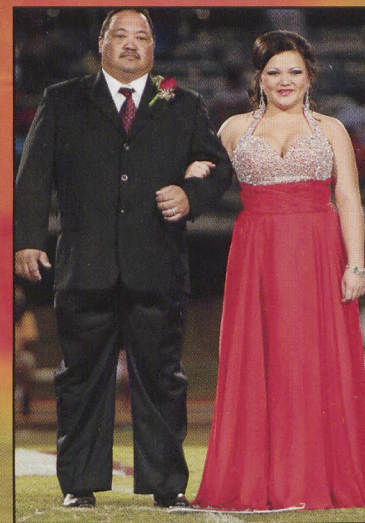
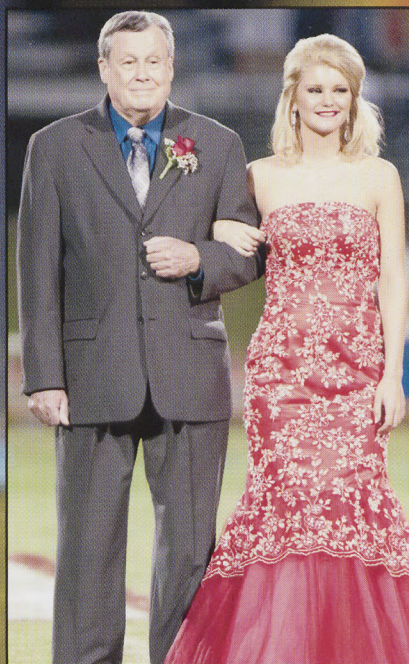
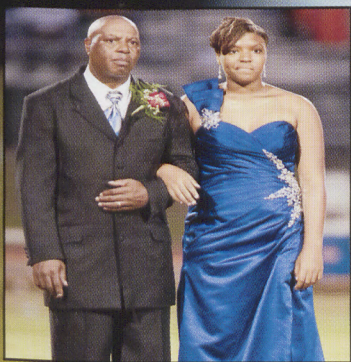
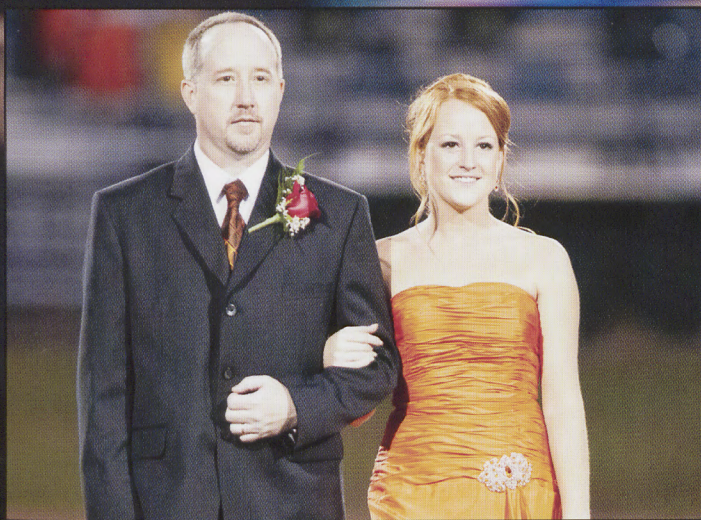
homecoming

smcc is "simply the best"

Homecoming was a fun filled and exciting time for the Bears. From the Amazing Race Scavenger Hunt to the Homecoming football game, school spirit showed throughout campus. The Amazing Race Scavenger Hunt was only the beginning. On Tuesday, students gathered into teams to go against each other in a race to find each clue. On Wednesday, Worship night was held at 6 p.m. On Thursday, the Powder Puff Bowl began with the softball team defeating the Bear Trackers 22 to 0. The soccer team defeated the cheerleaders 20 to 0. In the end, the softball team took first place against the soccer team. Brooke Cartwright, a player for the Bear Trackers, said, "Even though we didn't win, it was a fun experience, and I'm glad I got to be a part of it." On Friday, the carnival and cookout was a huge success. There was plenty of food, and a coke, hotdog, and texting contest. There was wonderful entertainment during the cookout from the Steel Pans and Jason Mathena Trio. Cody Mills and Kaylie Crosby won the hot dog contest.

Saturday was the last day of homecoming. It was a busy day for the Bears. It began early with the 5k run/walk. Kayla Byrd and Austin Cutrer, participants in the 5k, both had this to say, "We're here to support the bears!" Afterwards were the Summit Fall Fest, Southwest Mississippi Art Guild, Art Show, Silent Auction, and Memorabilia Room open. The homecoming parade held in Downtown Summit was a success. Bears participated in different floats and activities. Later in the afternoon, the Induction Ceremony and Membership meeting were held. To end Homecoming, the bears went helmet to helmet against Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, and through it all, Bears played hard and cheered loudly.

by Huda Mohammad



opposite page: Glen Hill escorts his daughter LeAnna Hill, Homecoming Queen, off the field as President Dr. Steve Bishop, 2011 Homecoming Queen Sarah Beth Furr, Elizabeth Claire Lewman and Russ Taylor enjoys the festivities; top left: Jeff Rametta walks Rebekah Richard, Student Body Maid; top right: Chad Lambert escorts Haley Lambert, Sophomore Maid; bottom far right: Thomas Malendres walks Alonah Malendres, Sophomore Maid; bottom right: Shelby Cutrer escorts Shelby Green, Sophomore Maid; bottom left: Paul King walks Crystal King, Freshman Maid; bottom far left: Randy Johnson escorts Yaminah Johnson, Freshman Maid; center: Steve Crosby walks Kaylie Crosby, Freshman Maid.

homecoming

madness

"We had a blast," amy lea

Homecoming week was filled with many festivities, including a scavenger hunt, a worship night in the old bear cage, a basketball meet-and-greet, powder puff football, a pep rally, a carnival and cookout, a parade, and, to finish off a week of wonderful events, the homecoming football game.

Tuesday, SGA organized a scavenger hunt for all students interested. Four groups raced around campus, searching for clues and doing whatever necessary to get to the next piece of the puzzle. Amy Lea, freshman at SMCC, said, "It was a good bonding experience for me and some of my fellow softball girls. We were determined to win at any cost, but in the end, we came in second. Even though we did not bring home the victory, we had a blast and got to know each other better."

On Wednesday, worship night with the BSU was held at the old bear cage by the math building. Drew led a Bible study about Joseph and taught students that attended to not be set back by the small struggles in life and to focus on the bigger picture that God has planned for them. Nikki Atkinson, freshman, said, "It really was an eye-opener to know that God has complete control, and He puts struggles in our paths to make us stronger and prepare us for what comes next."

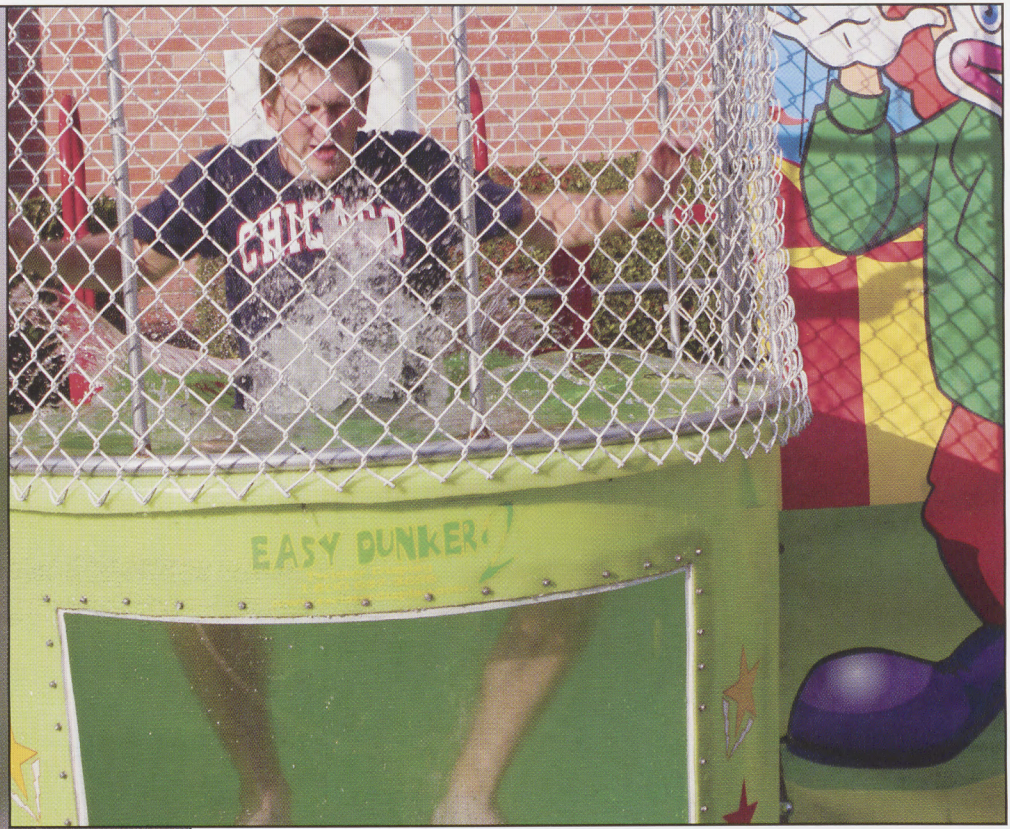
After the BSU worship, students came together in the basketball gym for 8:30 madness. Events included obstacle course games, a dunking contest, and the introduction of the boys and girls basketball teams. Dave Hughes from K106 gave away prizes to the winners of each challenge. Charlie the Bear also attended, animatedly showing his school spirit. They wrapped the night with scrimmage games for both the boys and girls.

Thursday was the day for the powder puff football games. There were four teams: the Lady Bear Trackers, the Bad News Bears, Bare Exposure, and the Classy Throws. In the first game, the Bear Trackers and the Classy Throws competed. Although the Bear Trackers put up a good fight, the Classy Throws won 22-0. The second game consisted of Bare Exposure and the Bad News Bears. Bare Exposure won with 20-0. The winners then went up against each other in the championship game: the Classy Throws vs. Bare Exposure. The Classy Throws won once again with a smaller score of 6-0. On Friday evening, a carnival and cook-out took place in front of the student union. At the cook-out, the Big Three, the Bear Trackers, and SGA went head-to-head in a steak cook-off. All in all, this year's homecoming proved to be successful.

by Renee Fortinberry and Beckie Graves



right: Victoria Price runs for a touchdown; opposite page, top: Josh King hits the water; opposite page bottom: Michael Williams, L.J. Smith, Darius Jones, and Taylor Miles compete in the coke drinking contest.



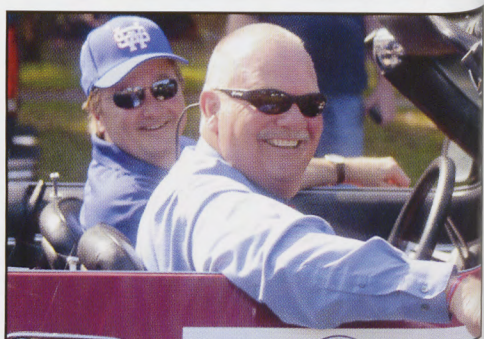
“Powder puff football rocks!”
—Kaylie Crosby



“Homecoming week was busy but fun!”
—Hilary Conely



top: Ceremony at halftime recognizes honorees, Hattie Pearl Nunnery, Dr. Robert Darville, III, Wilford Case, Jr., and Willie Leggett, II; right: Willie Leggett, II rides with friend in parade in Summit; far right: Hattie Pearl Nunnery waves to friends in the stands; bottom left: Dr. Robert Darville, III, smiles to parade fans; bottom right: Wilford Case, Jr. and friend Ralph Price enjoy the Homecoming parade.





homecoming honorees

alumni foundation recognizes dedication

The Alumni Foundation recognized Alumna of the Year, Hattie Pearl Nunnery; Distinguished Alumnus, Dr. Robert H. Darville, III; Sports Hall of Fame, Wilford Case and Willie Leggett, III. Hattie Pearl Nunnery graduated from Southwest and completed her A.A. degree in 1960. While at Southwest, Hattie Pearl was a cheerleader, in the chorus, a BSU officer, Who's Who School Spirit, and was named to the first Hall of Fame. Robert H. Darville, III received his A.A. from Southwest in 1973. While at Southwest, he was a member of Phi Theta Kappa, SMJC Chorus, BSU, His Word Singers, business manager for the *Whispering Pines* and Student Government Association vice-president. Wilford Case, Jr. played football and baseball for Southwest. He graduated from Southwest in 1975 with his Associate of Arts Degree. While at Southwest, he received Honorable Mention All State in football and received First Team All State in baseball. He was also a member of Who's Who Among Students in America in Junior Colleges. Willie Leggett, III played football for Southwest. While at Southwest, he was voted to the All Defense Team and selected to play in the 1987 JUCO all-star game. He was inducted in 1988 in the Southwest Mississippi Community College Hall of Fame. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Manufacturing Engineering at Oregon Tech.

by Danielle Rimes

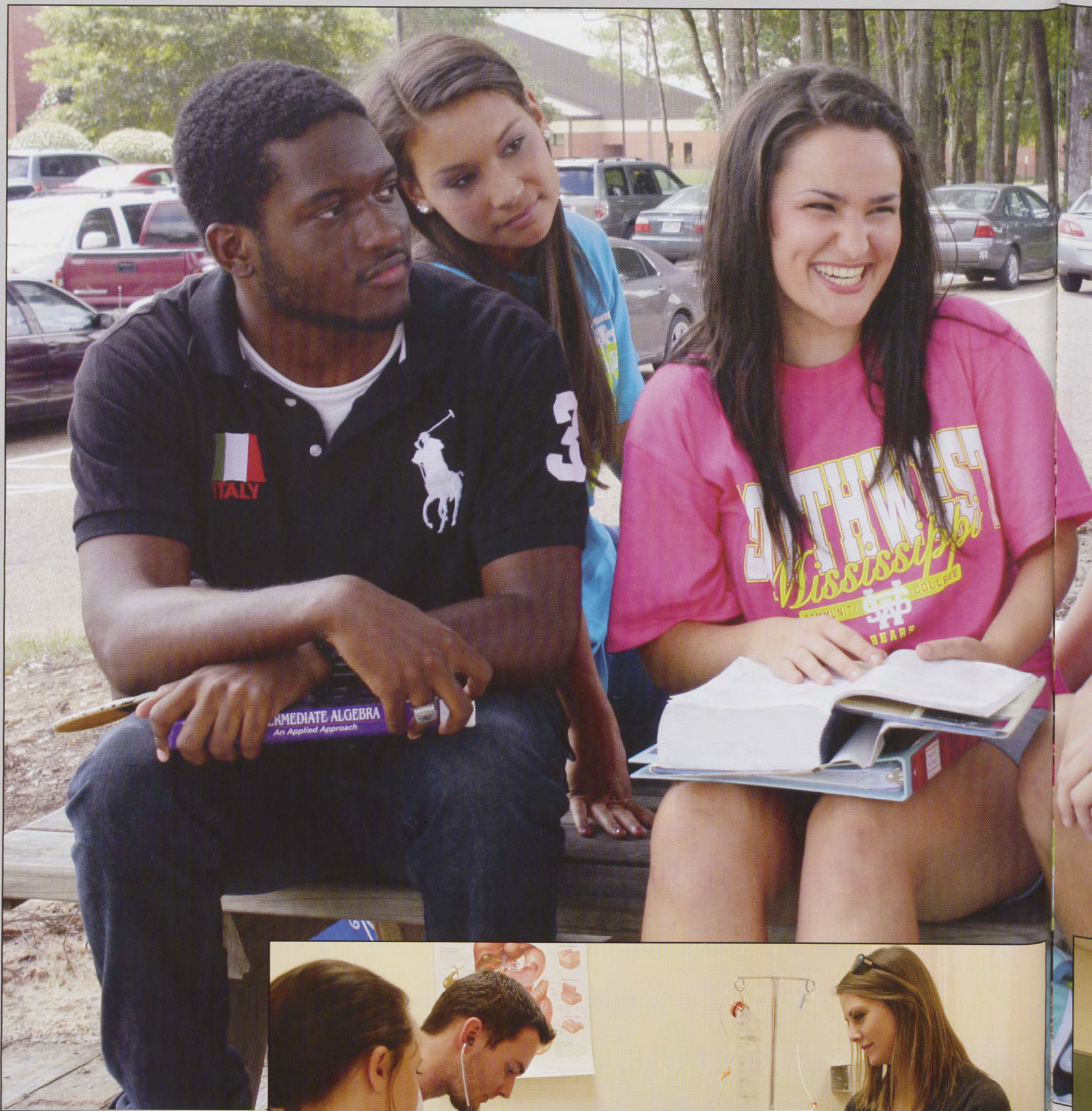


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Courtney Rowell, Stephanie Johnson, Adrienne Miller, and Amanda Singleton dissect feline in Carla Griffin's biology lab.



ACADEMICS



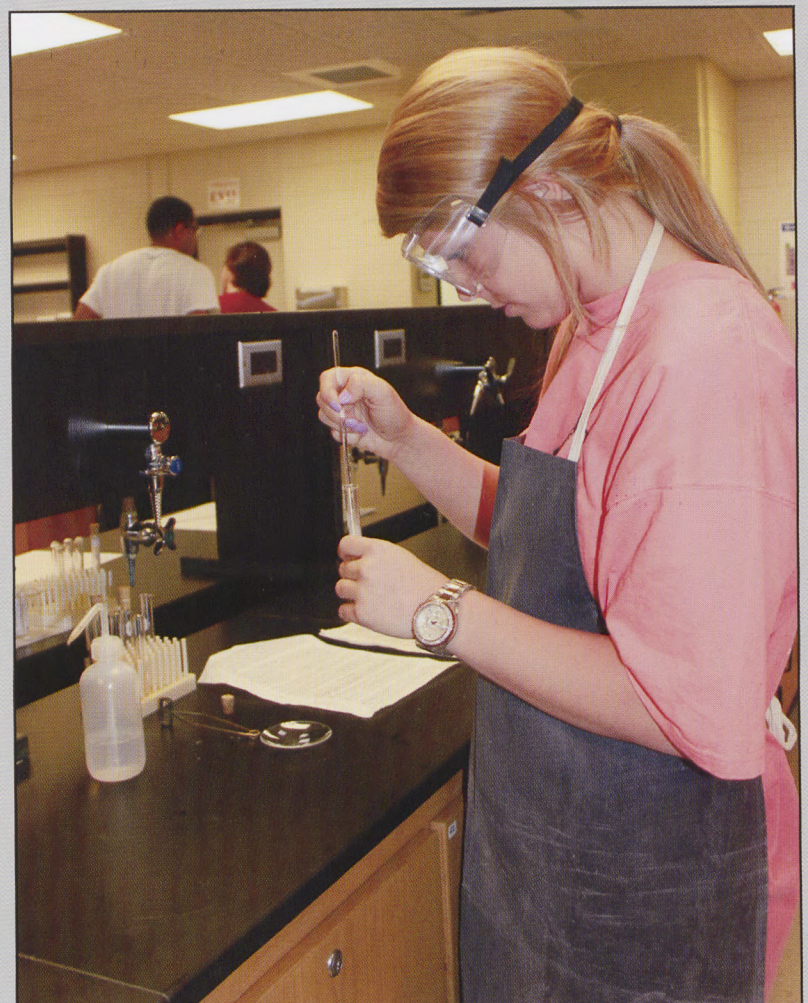
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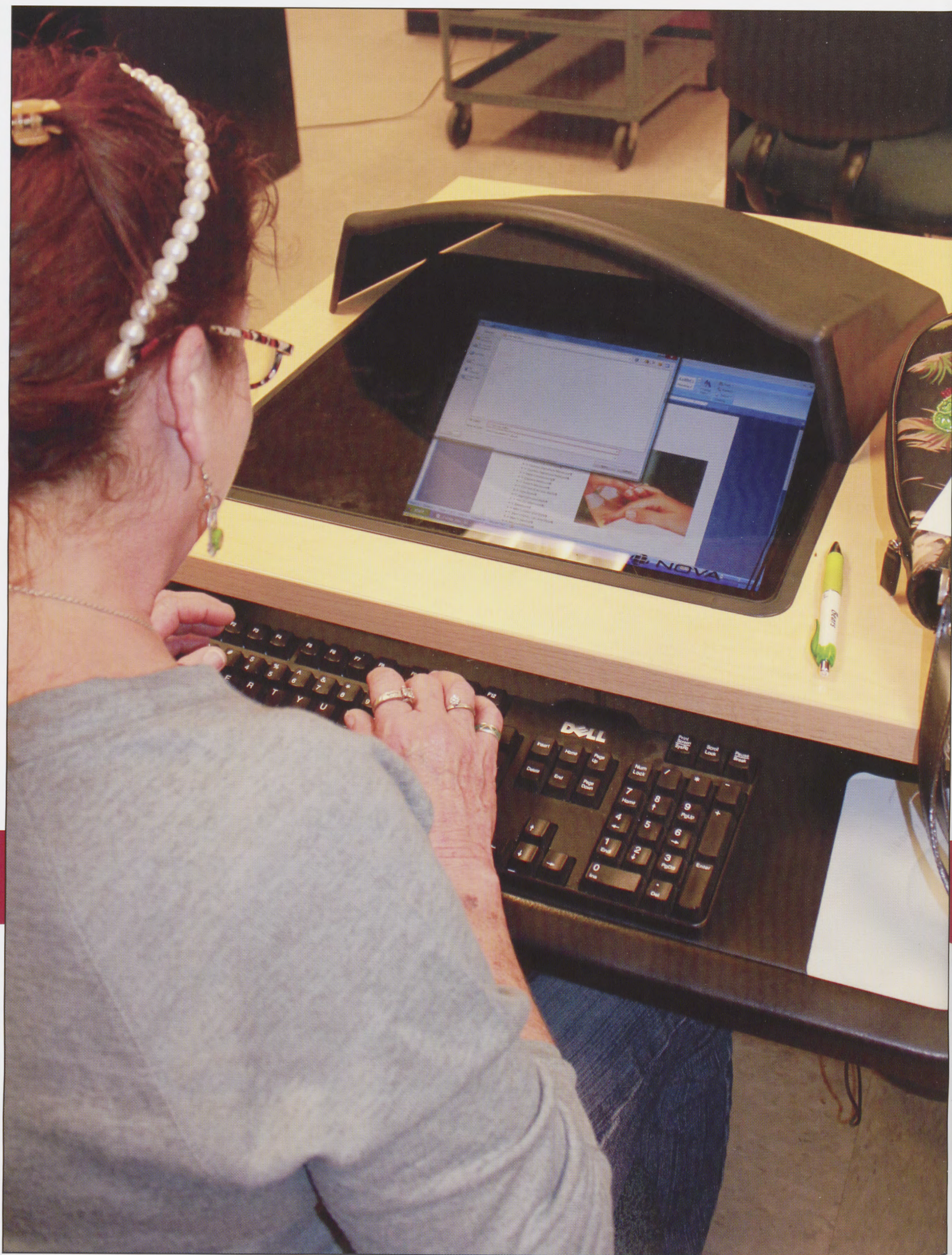
achievers reach success

Being in motion was necessary for students to achieve academic success in various fields of study. Many were hard at work on their academic endeavors while others studied in the technical field. Students desired to succeed no matter what their area of study was. The students always worked together and completed the assignments that were given to them. Classroom activities ranged from complicated equations to slimy dissections to articulate speeches. Many of the students completed general education courses to earn a two-year degree to use as a strong foundation to complete their goals of graduating at a university or beginning the career of their desire. Students, who worked hard to reach their goals, inspired the faculty to work harder. Students reached many goals through the academic program.

by Danielle Rimes



opposite page far left: Brittany Frantom, Morgan Lee, Labreeska McCullough, and Lauren Bailey participate in the Southwest Hospital simulation; opposite page top: Darius Jones, Marisa Pruski, Hannah Monroe, Bricana Harper, and Will Richardson discuss upcoming college algebra assignments; above: Hilary Coney tests samples in chemistry experiment; left: Prudence McGehee, art instructor, previews Ashleigh Roberts and Haley Lambert's sketch designs.

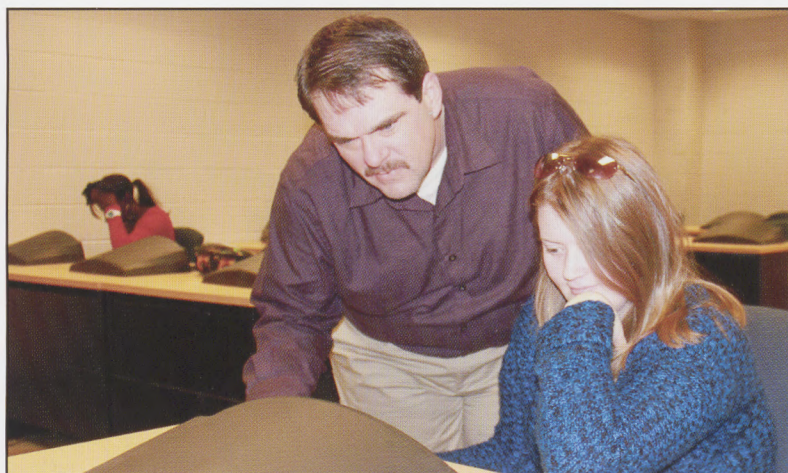


business/computers

Students desired to win the race in the business world by accepting the many courses and opportunities that were offered to them. These courses better equipped students to succeed in the business world. The courses ranged from Economics to Business Law. In the computer courses, students were taught to use the computer better, for example, how to use Power-Point. The computer is used in almost every field of work these days and it has equipped students to be ready for future job opportunities. Business courses help students increase knowledge in personal finance, time management, organizational skills, and goal setting. This information can be used in important decisions related to buying a house, car, or other major necessities, choosing appropriate insurance, filing tax returns, budgeting, and investing. The initiation of computers has turned the workplace in a whole new direction. The use and deployment of computers, computer systems, and information technology applications in every aspect of business is now a common practice. The application and adoption of Web-based, information and telecommunication technologies, has increased what computers can do and the benefits of computers. A vital skill in today's business world is the ability to use a computer to access and create information. Business courses that teach word processing, spreadsheet, database management, and Internet skills can help students achieve a higher-level position with a better salary in their future careers and help students accomplish more in college.

by Danielle Rimes

“My business instructor makes learning fun.”
-Ethan Noland



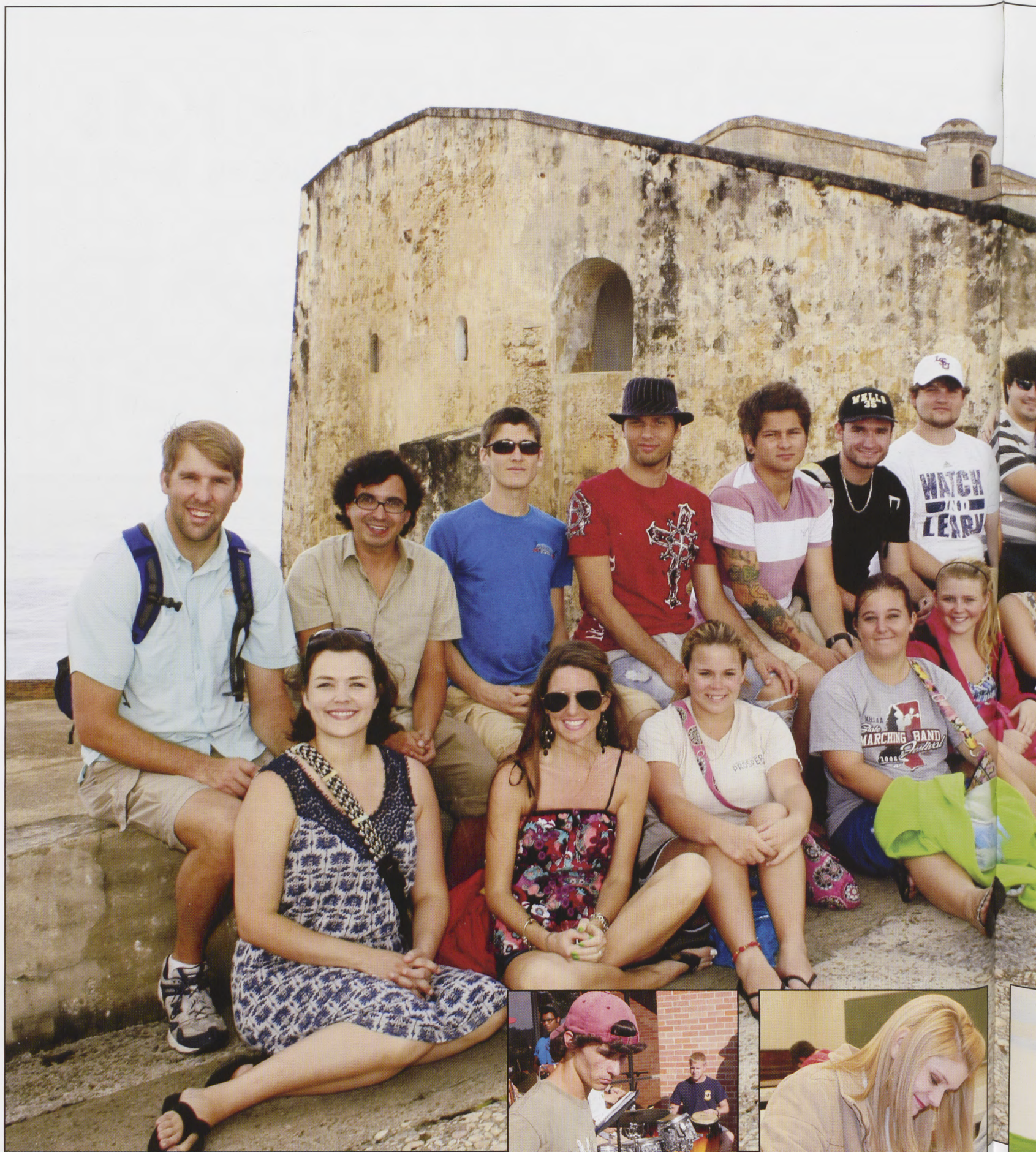
opposite page: Marianne Cruse saves a word processing document; left: Ethan Noland explains his introduction to business project; above: Instructor Joseph McCarty demonstrates correct use of instructional video to Lanie Connelly.



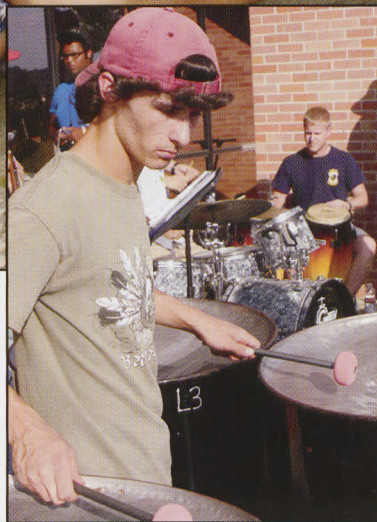
“Computer applications is fun.”
-Danielle Rimes



“Having a great instructor makes all the difference.”
-Lanie Connelly



above: Sarah Dale, Emily Lambuth, Taylor Miles, Lacey Jackson, Christina Granger, Kayla Robertson, Jasmine Sargent, Brandi Smith, Connie Lambuth; second row: Andrew Dale, Jason Mathena, Warren Wood, Ash Reid, J.T. Traigle, Samuel Wells, Steven Bryan, Chase Freeman, Valerie LeBlanc, Jennifer Elliott, Joe Elliott; opposite page, right: Andrew Dale and J.T. Traigle perform for homecoming cookout; opposite page left: Lanie Connelly and Chelsea Johnson paint portrait for Regional Workforce building and Prudence McGehee, art instructor, offers her input; far right: Shelby Green works on art project; right: Nick Farris plays in the steel drum band.





fine arts

band travels to puer-to rico

While traveling around campus, a common sight was students carrying drawing pads or hurrying to choir practice. Creativity was a common practice in this department. Drawing, music appreciation, choir, stage band, marching band, and small singing groups were among the numerous Fine Arts courses offered. All of these courses were hands-on and one-on-one instruction was available, which allowed students to become greatly involved with their studies. The Steel Drum Band traveled to Puerto Rico to learn a different style of music that descended from Africa, consisting of only percussion instruments. The trip consisted of twenty-one people, twenty hours of traveling, five flights, four different hotels, three different rental vans, one faulty transmission, countless hours of driving to destinations for touring and activities. The group learned a lot about life, acceptance, music, culture and each other. Friendships were gained, and the musical knowledge gained from the trip was put to good use. The Fine Arts Department helped students to express themselves creatively, whether it was the inspiration that turned blank paper into wonderful works of art, or the many voices that came together for a song.

by Danielle Rimes

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We had such an amazing
time in Puerto Rico!
-Sammikay Clark





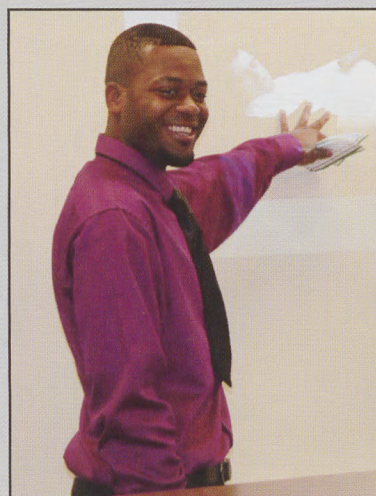


languages

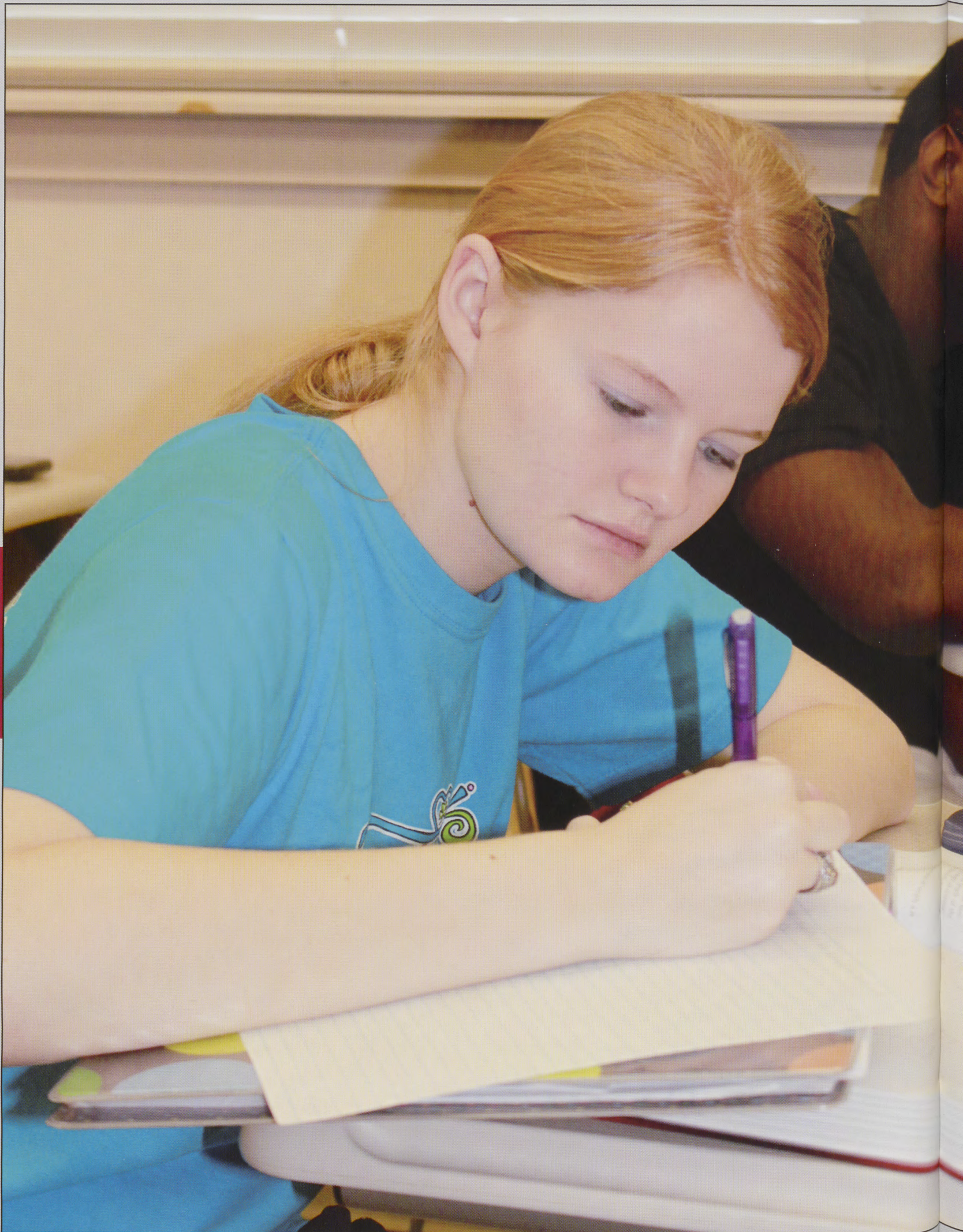
instructors prepare for excellence

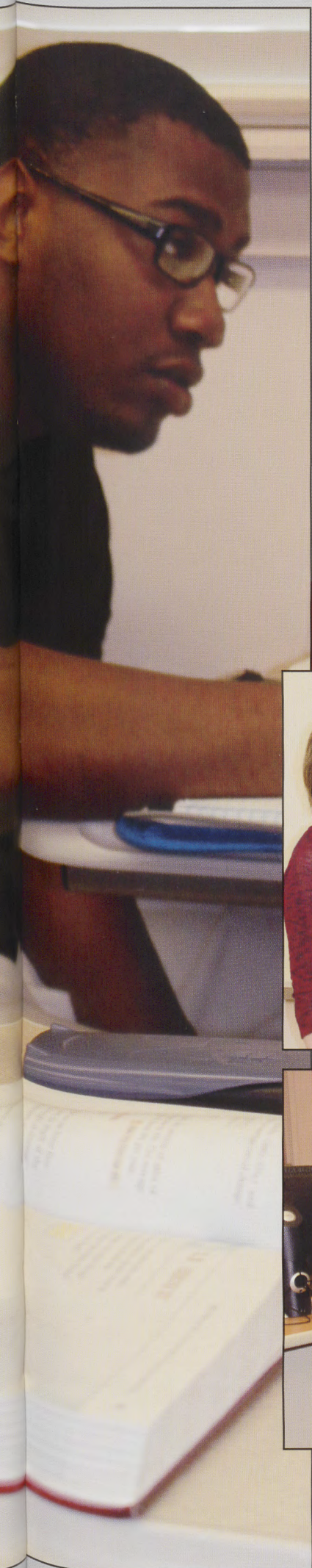
Everyone is bound together with language. In order to accomplish great things in life it is necessary to have language skills. The skills obtained helped students advance their writing, research techniques, communication, grammar skills and much more. While in English Composition, students were taught how to use proper grammar and how to write a paper, along with many research techniques and the ability to cite sources. Through American Literature, students were informed about various poetry and prose from the United States in all periods of history. Students were offered similar studies such as works from English history and of the entire world's civilizations through the British Literature and World Literature classes. The language department expands to speaking, reading, and writing foreign languages such as Japanese, French, and Spanish. Students learned how to address large groups with poise and professionalism through the public speaking classes. Instructors diligently worked together to prepare students for excellence in their work and dedication to their studies. Students and instructors also worked together to help the student reach their full potential.

by Danielle Rimes



opposite page: Marla Nottinham, Olivia Robinson, Jazma Reed, and Shelby Green study information pertaining to Spanish speaking cultures as Dr. Elaine Coney explains; above: Army Retired Specialist Josh Wells explains the importance of writing skills in the military to Darius Jones, Mechel'Le Cooper, and Stacy Varnado in Joyce Mabry's English class; left: Casper Holmes presents images during his speech on "Obesity" in Dr. Jennifer McLaughlin's class.



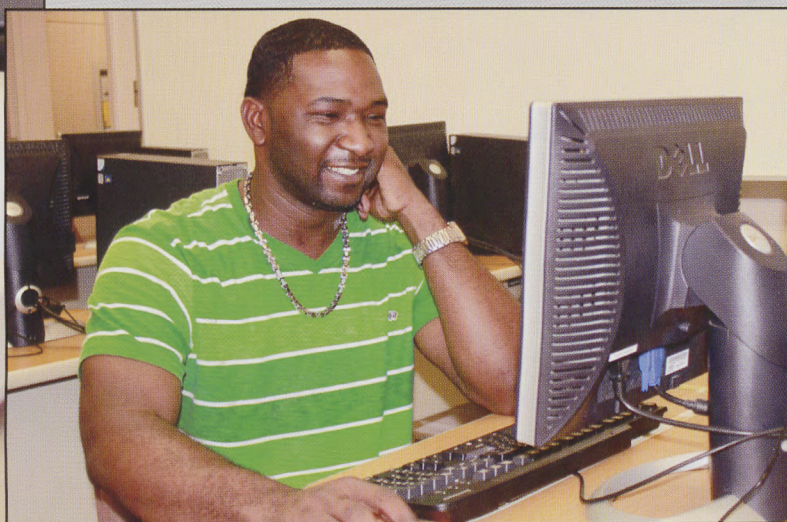
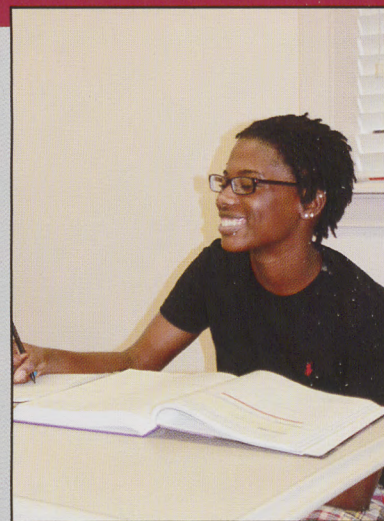


math

technology advances math

Whether it seems real or not, everything we use today has mathematics involved in some part of the manufacturing process. Students striving for degrees in mathematics had many options in the math department to achieve their goal. Students could achieve their goal by taking Algebra, Trigonometry, Calculus, Statistics, Quantitative Reasoning, and Differential Equations. Almost every degree plan requires at least one semester of math. Every culture in the history of the world has had influence on the journey to create a system of mathematics. Regardless of sophistication levels, yesterday's counting systems led to today's counting. Today we have everything from simple adding and subtracting to the complexities of vector calculus and linear algebra. Traditionally, only students preparing for elementary education enroll in Real Numbers, but all students are required to master College Algebra to graduate.

by Danielle Rimes



opposite page: Erika Mcelveen and Daniel Turner complete an assignment; top left: Xavier Leflore and Hope Ryals with instructor Patsy Giles demonstrate how to graph linear functions; top right: Miata Bridges enjoys taking notes in class; left: Eddie Ratliff works on his online assignments.

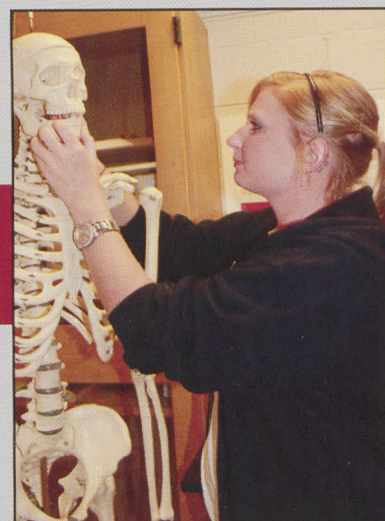


science

students calculate motion in physics

General and Engineering Physics were just a few of the science courses students took while in college. From learning how to calculate tension using a force table to learning about the human body in Anatomy and Physiology, it was about acquiring the knowledge given to the students from those who desired to prove what others thought was impossible. The students who studied Anatomy and Physiology studied the basics of chemistry, genetics, skeletal and muscular systems, and the functions of cells. Students in Microbiology learned about microorganisms that affect other living organisms. From Chemistry to Anatomy and Physiology, students have the opportunity to learn about sciences. Throughout these courses students were taught what they needed to finish their majors. Whether it was naming an unknown chemical or labeling the parts of the skeleton, students gained the information needed to complete their education.

by Danielle Rimes



opposite page: Sarah Fitzgerald in Pete Ferguson's chemistry lab assembles a fractional distillation apparatus; top left: Shelby Edwards, Mary Jane Wallace, and Heather Jackson extract a cat from bag; above: Haley Sterling examines the skeleton; left: Kayla Jones, Alyssa Smith, and Latanya Ratliff dissect a cat in Carla Griffin's class.

social science

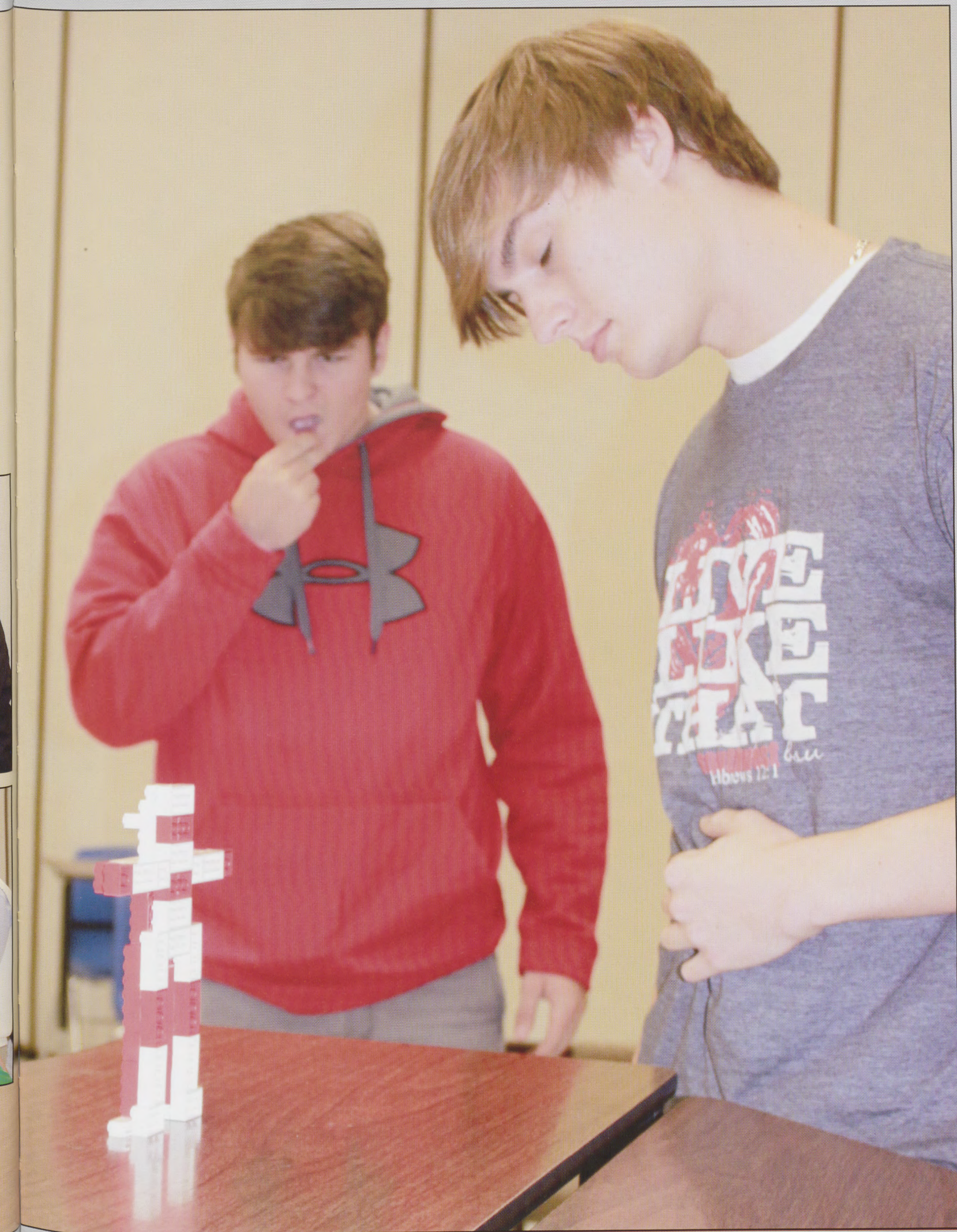
honors forum tours museum

History has been viewed as teachings for our past. No matter how hard one tried, history cannot be altered. History taught us right from wrong; therefore, one would not want to repeat a mistake from history. For centuries, people have been amazed by science. Studying social sciences helps one to understand the society in which we live in, and the people that live in that society. The social science classes ranged from learning about past wars and ancient civilizations to the different theories of how people behave the way that they do. The Honors Forum traveled to the WWII Museum in New Orleans and learned about the Higgins boats as well as valuable facts about D-Day.

by Huda Mohammad



above: Susan Hedges answers Rebekah Richard's question about sociology; top right: Rachel Smith and Chelsea Nette build a lego man from memory; opposite page: Jason Milton and Aaron Ellzey examine a lego man; right: Instructor Merrielyn Ginn gives a lecture on Constitution Day as Edward Miller, Richard Hodges, Maria Nottingham and Cody Bealer listen.



health occupations

intense instruction prepares

Students with a desire to assist others enrolled in the Nursing Program. The Nursing Program was a highly competitive curriculum where students are held to the highest of academic standards. Through lecture, lab, and real life clinical situations the students learned both basic and advanced nursing practices. The medical program was an excellent program for those striving to become nurses. The increasing need for health care professionals in the nation allowed students to easily find jobs in the medical field. Through the program, students found the hard work to be very beneficial and rewarding.

by Danielle Rimes

bottom: Haleigh Cowart gives an intramuscular injection; top right: Kayla Stevenson performs oral suctioning; right, middle: Jennifer Burch uses respiratory assessment interventions; bottom right: Nick DeArmus, Delta Harrison, and Jenah Armas administer intramuscular injection; opposite page: Contessa Richard and Ryan Lewis practice nasogastric tube insertion and placement.



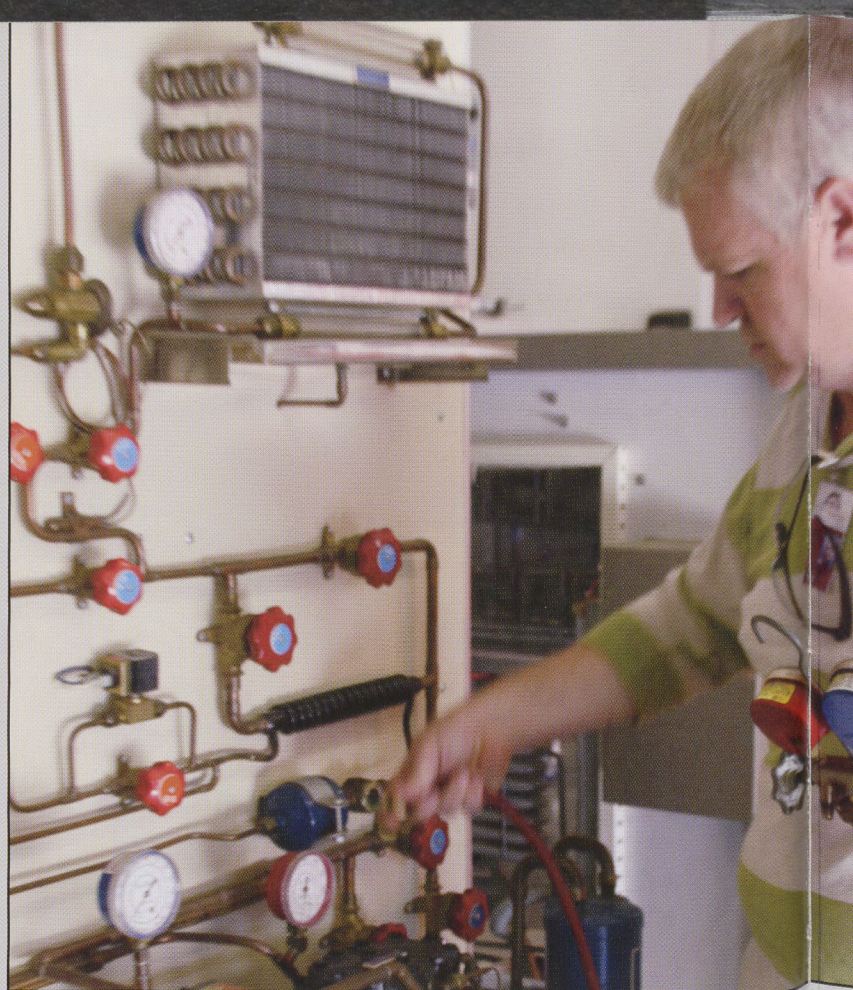


career and technical programs

"our children are fun to
teach," Kaleigh Fitzgerald

Motion was the key word for the Career Technical programs as all were full. Located in the H.T Huddleston Career-Tech Building, the Career and Technical Education division provided twenty-two programs for students. The programs covered a variety of areas such as Early Childhood Development Education, Practical Nursing, Cosmetology, Massage Therapy, Well Construction Technology, Automotive Technology, and Process Technology which saw the largest increase in students in the program. Since these programs were offered, it provided students with a variety of different options to fulfill their goals. From teaching children in Early Childhood to Welding, many goals were achieved through the Career and Technical programs. Students' training from each program was intense and one-on-one. Each student was ready to compete in the job marker upon graduation.

by Danielle Rimes



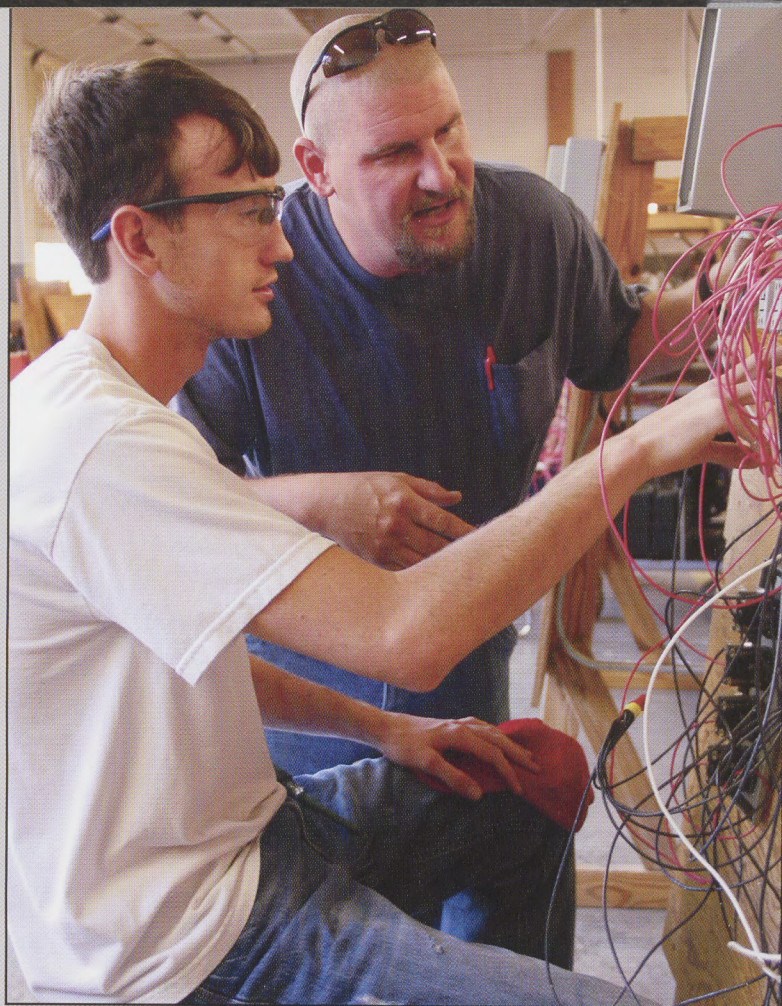


opposite page, far left: Mamie Thornhill, Process Operations Technology student, monitors levels; opposite page top: Jerry Woodard, Heating and Air Conditioning student, makes electrical measurements on a compressor trainer; top right: Patricia Lenore, Kaleigh Fitzgerald and Danielle Rimes of the Early Childhood Education Technology Program teach the class about the pilgrims and Indians; above: Haley Temple and Angel Allred of the Practical Nursing Program prepare medication; right: Daniel Woods, Michael Kennedy, and DeVante Robinson of Occupational Safety and Health inspect a fire extinguisher on campus.

career and technical programs

instructors prepare students

Automotive Technology
Business and Marketing Management
Technology
Business and Office Related Technology
Accounting Technology
Health-Care Data Technology
Microcomputer Technology
Office Systems Technology
Carpentry Technology (Residential)
Commercial Truck Driving
Computer Network Support Technology
Cosmetology
Diesel Equipment Technology
Early Childhood Education Technology
Electrical Technology
Health Information Technology
Heating and Air Conditioning
Massage Therapy
Nurse Assistant Technology
Occupational Safety and Health
Practical Nursing
Process Operations Technology
Web Development Technology
Welding and Cutting
Well Construction Technology



top: Instructor Brad VanNorman of the Electrical Technology Program shows Jeffery Courville how to use PLC wiring; opposite page: Jacob Clark, Jacob Bradley, Cody Woodall, and Hunter Kaplan of the Welding and Cutting Program weld during class; Tyler Bacot and Brandon Travis of the Diesel Equipment Technology Program change oil in car; far right: Michael Williams, Elijah Leonard, and Henry Hammond of the Automotive Technology Program change spark plug wires; right: Instructor Madonna Jones of the Cosmetology Program explains to Jalene Dunaway foiling techniques.





business/computer technology

knowledge powers work-place

The Marketing program prepared students for sales, marketing, and management careers, while students enrolled in Office Systems Technology gained experience for entry-level employment in a variety of medical clinics and insurance companies. Students who desired to gain computer skills sought opportunities for training in either website design through the Web Development program or telecommunications and network administration in the Computer Network Support program. The opportunities available to students with knowledge of business or computer training were endless. Career-Technical programs offered hands-on experience in each of these fields.

by Danielle Rimes



right: Chelsea Tarver and Sarah Scott, Marketing Management students, prepare to laminate the *Pine Burr*; above: Brittany Hughes, Office Systems Technology student, completes her documentation project.



nurse assistant and practical nursing

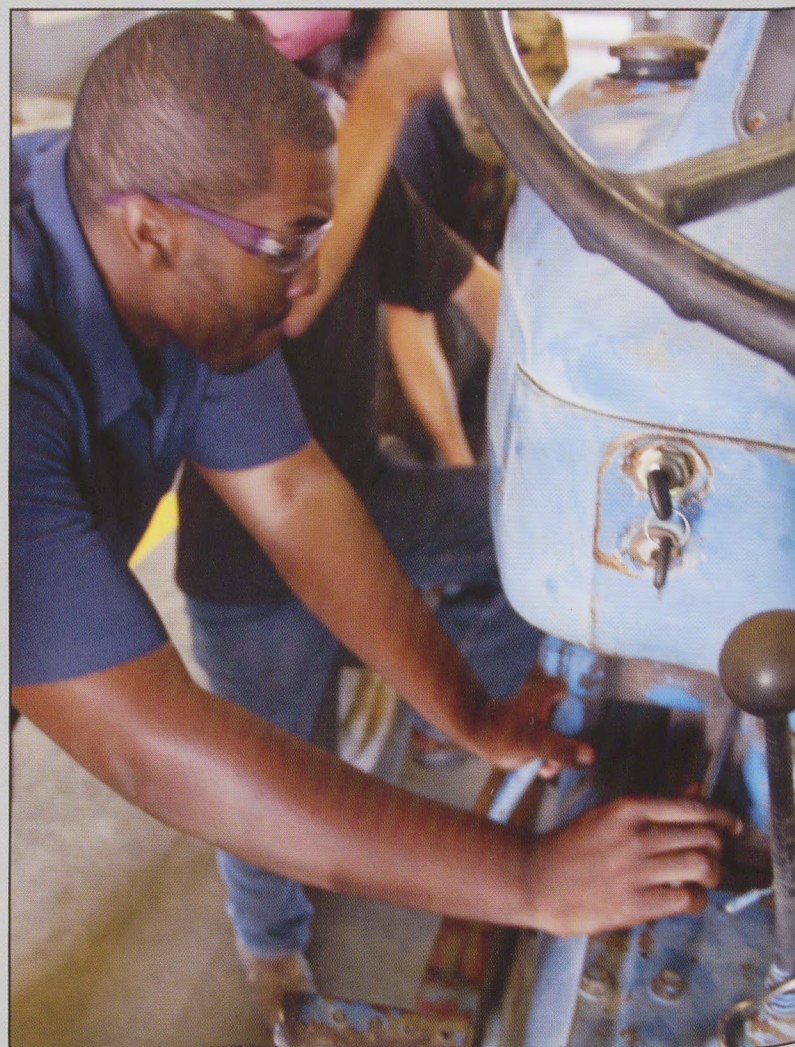
nurses move to the workforce

S MCC presented countless opportunities in the field of health care education as the medical fields grew and more nurses were wanted for the community. Meeting the need of the growing occupation, the college offered its students a one-year program in Practical Nursing, and a one-semester program as a Nurse Assistant. In each curriculum, students accomplished nursing fundamentals they could use to educate the public as well as to help in the workforce. From current training rooms to advanced equipment, students were given the basics and direction to take them toward their future workplaces.

by Rebekah Mote

left: Dorothy Varnado and Maryam Golmaryami obtain weight for records;
bottom: Gretchen Lowe, Rachel Carona, Amandeep Kaur, Wendy Smith, and Courtney Smith use the Hoyer lift.





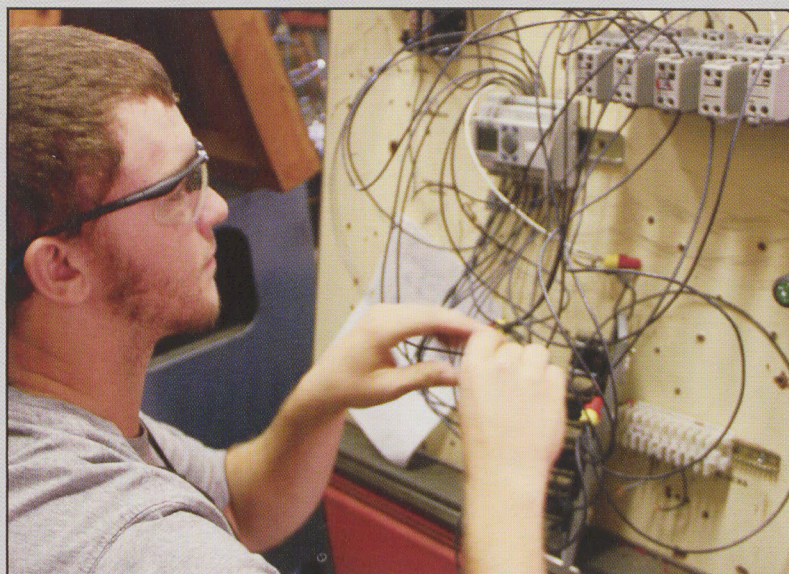


industrial career technology

training creates opportunities

An Industrial Career Technology program provided many opportunities for students by providing the training necessary for employment in their perspective fields. Students had the opportunity to take any of the following classes: Automotive Technology, Welding and Cutting, Carpentry, Well Construction Technology, and Electrical Technology. Whether students chose electrical technology, which prepares them for employment in the field of electrical engineering, or well construction technology, which provided instruction in the use of drilling for water, petroleum, and ecological operations, they had skills for the future. Career and Technical students succeed in jobs because of the training that they received in the career-technical program.

by Danielle Rimes



opposite page left: Drew Case tacks overhead; opposite page top: Industrial Process Technology students Blake Rhodus and Jordan Grayson examine valves; top left: James Chess, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning student, controls thermostat circuit on air conditioner; above: Clint McDaniel, Industrial Electrical student, programs a PLC; left: Blake Morgan removes brake pads; opposite page right: Diesel Mechanic student Tray Ratcliff works on a tractor.



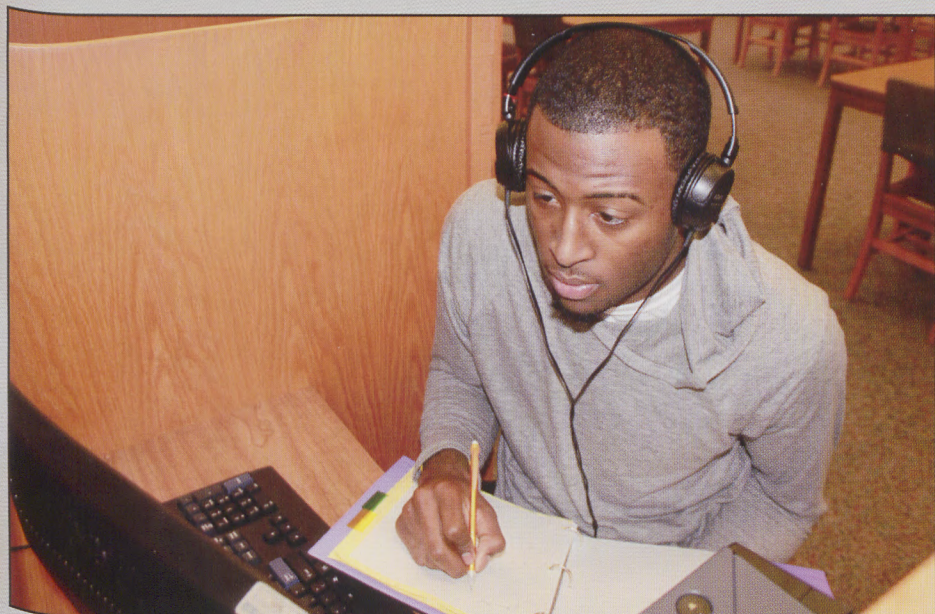
library - learning resource center

learning environment meets needs

Every student had a passion for making great achievements in life. For those who were eager to excel in academics, the William C. and Lula B. Ford Library was the perfect place to achieve those goals. The library was filled with over 36,000 volumes of books and 3,500 non-print items, such as videotapes and CD-ROMS. There was also the Learning Lab filled with computers for students to type and print reports, browse the Internet for information, and study tutorials. They even provided personalized tutoring sessions for those in need of extra help to enhance their grades. There was no way a student could not be enlightened because of all of the resources that were provided. Throughout the year, faculty and students kept the library filled with people who were desiring more information on certain topics. Many students spent their time in the library preparing for tests and printing out needed documents. On the other hand, people who longed for a quiet place could also go to the library. With thousands of sources in the library, those people were not dissatisfied.

by Danielle Rimes

“Learning can be fun in a peaceful environment such as the library.”
-Elizabeth Cutrer




opposite page: Terri Edwards and Sherry Simmons study in the library study room for their College Algebra exam. top left: Natalie McMahon, Library Director; Laura Riddle, Librarian; and Rhonda Nevels, Learning Lab Assistant; left: Donovan Ross works on a project for one of his classes.

REGIONAL WORKFORCE TRAINING CENTER



Tim Stogner, Industrial Training Coordinator; Loran Cook, Workforce Training Coordinator; Amanda Preece, Workforce Training Coordinator; Wendy Smith, Workforce Training Specialist, GED Examiner; Charlotte Malone, Workforce Development Center Secretary; Janice McKellar, Educational Recovery Specialist, /Chief GED Examiner; Amy Beard, Workforce Development Center Secretary/Receptionist; Carolyn Williams, ABE-GED Director; Joni Wilkinson, WIA Educational Coordinator; Jerry Malone, Workforce Development Center Director

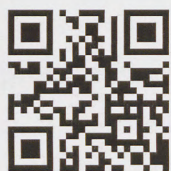


training for tomorrow

workforce connects college to community

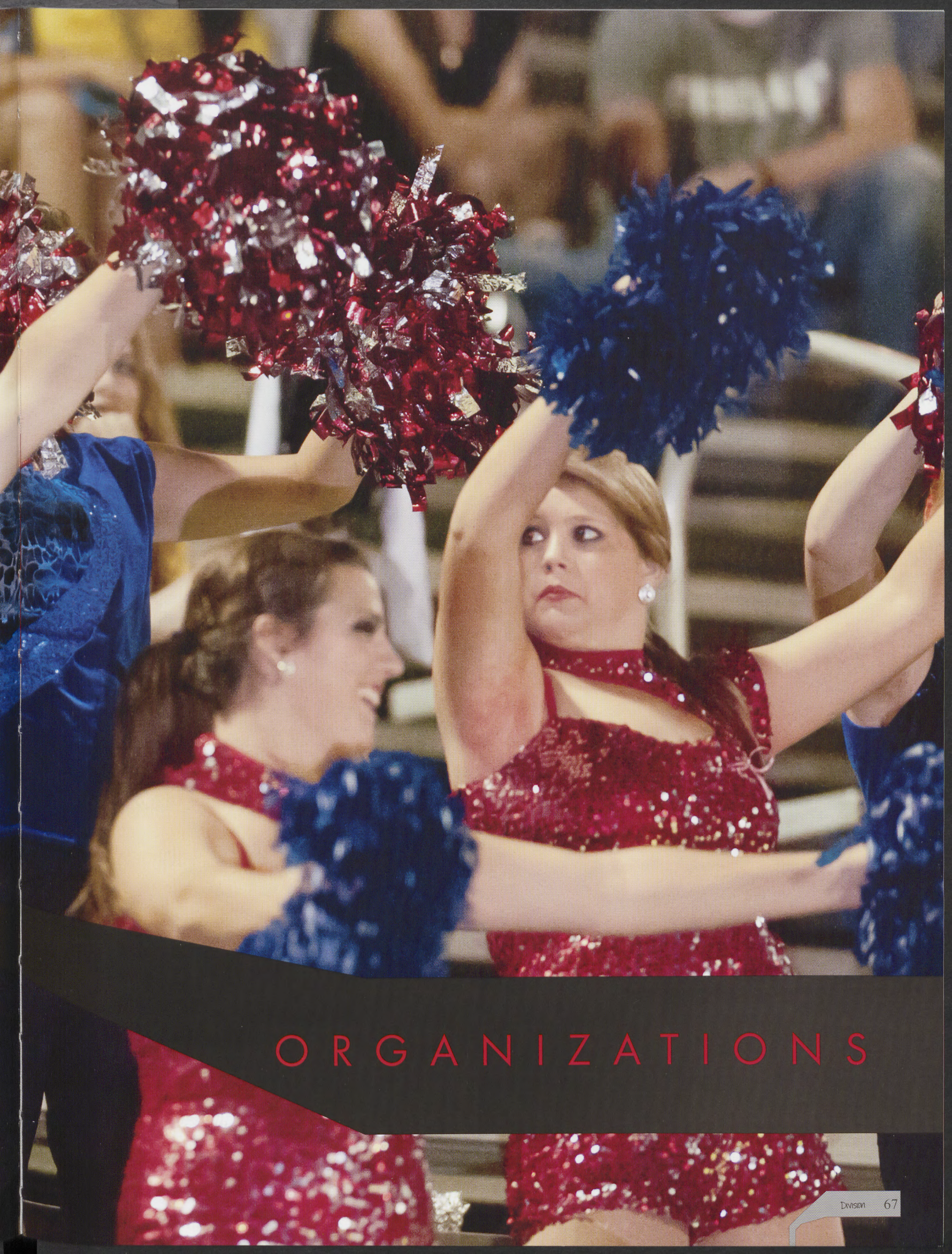
The Regional Workforce Training Center at Southwest was a tool to help students gain the necessary knowledge of the careers they hoped to have one day. The Workforce Development Center helped students select the right career options through education training programs and job/career specifics. The Center, located in the new Regional Workforce Training Center, was under the direction of Jerry Malone. The Grand Opening of the Regional Workforce Training Center took place on February 22, 2013, from two to six. Five hundred people attended the ceremony. The new Center was designed to provide advanced skills training to the local workforce in a wide range of industries, including oil and gas, emergency medical, public works, law enforcement and other first responders. The workforce center was geared toward adults who wanted to change their careers or for those who wanted to enhance their skills. The new center was also designed to have more space to train students. The Regional Workforce Training Center was a vital part in connecting the college to the community.

by Huda Mohammad



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Red Line cheers at football game.



ORGANIZATIONS

bear trackers

participation and enthusiasm identify trackers

Bear Trackers were an elite group of students selected to be ambassadors for the college. Selection was based on an application and interview process through which sponsors evaluated each applicant's scholastic achievement, communication and leadership skills, and knowledge and enthusiasm of Southwest. This year the SMCC Bear Trackers were busy being the "face of Southwest" at many different events both on and off campus. They worked many events this school year including SMCC Day at McComb Market, Meet the Bears, SMCC Foundation Alumni Tailgate Party, Parade of Beauties Pageant, SMCC's Transfer College Fair, attended high school college fairs to reach out to prospective students, and served as ushers for several on campus events. The Bear Trackers hosted area high school students during Junior/Senior Night at the SMCC vs. PRCC home football game. They also stayed busy during the fall semester with fundraising events such as Belk Charity Sale, Ruby Tuesday Giveback, and selling Exam Care Packages and Spirit Towels. They also hosted the 2nd Annual SMCC Princess Ball in March. The Bear Trackers also won first place in several noteworthy campus competitions this year including the Student Organization Homecoming Float Contest, the Homecoming Steak Grilling Competition, and the Spirit Sign Competition. The SMCC Bear Trackers were sponsored by Karinlee Brister and Pat Young. Bear Tracker President was Richard Hodges.

by Brooke Cartwright



above: Olivia Robinson and Hayden Wallace hang garland on the staircase; top right: Richard Hodges and Rebekah Richard face paint; opposite page: Hilary Coney, Pat Young, and David Ivy wave at the Homecoming Parade; opposite page right: David Ivy, Summer Cliburn, Mattie Rials, Richard Hodges, and Rebekah Richard get coached by Karinlee Brister and Justin McDaniel during powder puff football.
right: Karinlee Brister, sponsor; Pat Young, sponsor; Rebekah Richard, Hillary Coney, Alonah Malendres, Victoria Price, Hannah Savorgnan, Brooke Cartwright, Hannah Monroe, Blake King; second row: LeeAnna Hill, Nikki Atkinson, Christina Granger, Renee Miley, Alexis Avery, Mattie Rials, Summer Cliburn; third row: Richard Hodges, president; Josh King, Jesse Haralson, David Ivy, Brianna Johnson, Brandon Williams, Emily Alford, Crystal Byrd, Kaleb Hart, Kelby Hart; fourth row: Tate Allen, Ken Hodges, Donavon James, and Tanner Smith.



“I love being a Bear Tracker”
—Brooke Cartwright

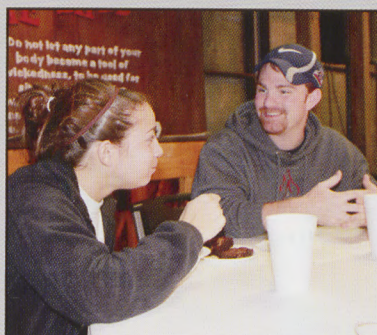


“Being involved with the Bear Trackers has been fun”
—Hannah Monroe





top: Bailee Warren, Justin Green, Stephanie Rimes, Connie Phelps, Danielle Rimes, Daniel McKenzie and Anna Wicker fellowship at "Welcome Back Party;" far left: Kaylie Crosby sings a song while painting at the Women's Crisis Center; left: Crystal Byrd likes boxing; center: BSU Leadership Team: Anthony Britt, Director; Aaron Ellzey, Carter Kittrell, Cody Mills, Sarah Fitzgerald, LeeAnna Hill, Matt Smith, Josh King, Haley Roalson, Danielle Rimes, Drew Richardson, Assistant Director; right: Rebekah Richard and Edward Miller enjoy meal at Noonday; right: Jared Lee plays pool.





baptist student union

bsu brings students together through fellowship

Baptist Student Union was the place for students to grow together in the love of Christ. Every year the BSU offered various activities and trips for students. This year was not different. Not only did the BSU offer trips to Passion and a New York spring break mission trip, but it lent a hand with their monthly mission projects. The BSU's main mission was to be on the move for Christ. Students came throughout the year for fellowship and spiritual nourishment. Weekly Bible studies and worship were held every Monday at seven p.m. as well as weekly girl and guy small groups. Every Wednesday was Noonday lunch which donated all proceeds to help students go on summer mission trips. Students were invited to play ping pong, pool or simply to "hang out" daily. The BSU sent students monthly on mission projects such as painting the Crisis Pregnancy Center or sorting clothes at St. Andrew's. The BSU was led by Anthony "Twan" Britt and Drew Richardson whose passions for ministry showed daily in their fellowship with students. They took students on a rock climbing trip, hosted several large fundraisers, and weekly trips with the BSU Praise and Drama Teams around the state to help lead worship in churches. The BSU saw tremendous growth and fellowship throughout the year as Twan, Drew, and students alike grew in their faith and ministry.

by Brooke Cartwright

wesley

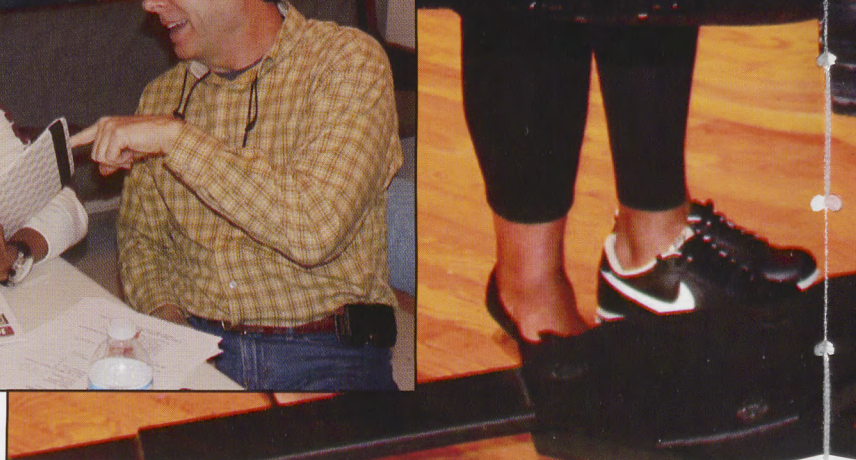
group helps others in need

Wesley Foundation was on the move to serve. Led by advisor Greg Pittman, Wesley Foundation served ice cream every Tuesday at 6:30 P.M. at the little white chapel across from the library and beside the BSU. During the meetings, students completed a "Basic Christianity" course that included a twenty-four hour retreat. They also discussed the topic "dating, sex, and marriage." Students also served the fans of the SMCC basketball players at the concession stand during the home basketball games. All of the money made at the concession stand went toward buying more supplies for the concession stand, or funding for the "Imagine No More Malaria by 2015" campaign. Students could get a coke for one dollar and a hot dog for two dollars and enjoy the game. The Wesley Foundation was always thrilled to help anyone in need.

by Huda Mohammad



above: David Ivy and Ramontez Lowe sing during *Bible* study; top right: Ashley Wofford and Megan Haraughty serve spectators at basketball game; right: Ramontez Lowe and Greg Pittman plan future activities; opposite page: Keshia Chatman, Chiquita McNabb, Latesha Barnes, Greg Pittman, Megan Haraughty, William Harris, David Ivy, Ramontez Lowe, and Bryan Stewart-Bennett sing for Spiritual Emphasis Week.





winning tones

choir sings at Carnegie Hall

Southwest had a majority of students with inspiring dreams to sing this year, and some of whom joined the choir at Southwest Mississippi Community College. Despite different musical backgrounds or interest in music, the students came together and performed wonderfully. Choir director, Joe Elliott, taught students and led them throughout practices before they became excellent. The group traveled to New York City during the summer, performed 'Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's Requiem' at Carnegie Hall and attended shows on Broadway such as "Wicked," "Spiderman," and "Million Dollar Quartet." The choir members attended the Southern Invitational Choral Conference held at the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg, followed by performances at school events, "Noon Tunes" at the McComb Depot District, a trip to Camellia Estates for Christmas Caroling, and 'Handel's Messiah.' Fellow students not only bettered their own vocals and accomplished to harmonize as a group, but they also built friendships. They never imagined their recognition for music would expand, but it did as they performed.

by Rebekah Mote

right: Emily Cothorn, Sierra Stafford, Jessica Knippers; second row: Megan Haraugthy, Julia Olier, Emily Alford; third row: Brian Pittman, Deangelo Ross, Prochorus Lewis, Warren Wood, and Tate Allen sing "Messiah;" bottom right: Yaminah Johnson, Shelbie Montgomery, Amanda Wicker, Thea Painting; second row: Elizabeth Cutrer, Kaleigh Crosby, Jamie Lee Davis; back row: Darius Jones, Austin Cutrer, Bryan Stewart-Bennett, and Steven Bryan perform in the "Messiah"; bottom left: Jessica Knippers, Leanna Myers, Connie Lambuth, Piper Dunn, LeeAnna Hill, Ethan Young, Joe Elliott, and Brandy Causey perform at Carnegie Hall in New York City.



Joe Elliott, director; Megan Haraugthy, Shelbie Montgomery, Emily Cothorn, Sierra Stafford, Taylor Gregory, Kaylie Crosby, Olivia Swanigan, Jamie Lee Davis, David Ivy, second row: Emily Alford, Julia Olier, Nicole Atkinson, Kelsey Gerald, Amanda Wicker, Thea Painting, Jessica Knippers, Roban Johnson, Yaminah Johnson, Mattie Rials, Najadanika Simmons, Jesse Haralson, back row: K-Lynn Hatch, Elizabeth Cutrer, Chereigna Dixon, Austin Cutrer, Tate Allen, Justin Boyd, Jesse McDaniel, Zackary Fleming, Josh King, Warren Wood, Darius Jones, Prochorus Lewis, Brian Pitman, Steven Bryan, Deangelo Ross, Brayan Stewart-Bennett





S.N.O.

Care packages go to troops

Southwest's Student Nursing Organization gave students the abilities to learn and communicate with other students in the same career field. S.N.O. served the community by participating in many activities. In honor of breast cancer awareness in October, instructor Ramona Young discussed her battle with breast cancer to students. S.N.O. participated in a national initiative, Joining Forces, to honor our veterans in November and to host speakers Josh Wells and Bobby Ginn. In December, S.N.O. mailed care packages to troops in Afghanistan. Members participated in the local Diabetes Walk, Relay for Life, Lunch Box of life to benefit Children's Pediatric Cancer Clinic at Blair Batson Hospital in Jackson, the SMCC Blood Drive, and health fairs at local schools and churches. S.N.O. students attended conferences, presented guest speakers, and encountered students who pursue the same career. Ellen Brannan, RN Director of Community and Clinical Health Education at Southwest MS Regional Medical Center, spoke to nursing students about cardiac disorders. The topic that Brannan presented was essential to safe nursing practice. Students had a chance to test their nursing skills in the classroom, health fairs, and clinicals.

by Huda Mohammad and Rebekah Mote



opposite page: Angela Martin serves popcorn to Katelynn Brady, blood donor; top left: Erica S. Myers, RN, MSN Simulation Laboratory Coordinator explains the functions of the new Sim Man 3G to Joshua England; above: Frank Altieri, Supervisor of the MBN Pharmaceutical Diversion Unit, speaks to students about "Pharmaceutical Diversion and Protecting Our Nurses" and "How to Safeguard yourself and your RN license;" left: Luri Brown, ADN student, participates in hazmat training exercise with members of the McComb Fire Department.



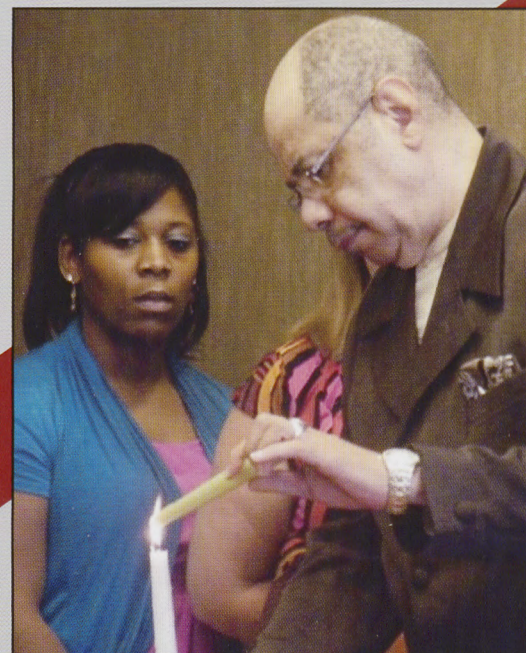
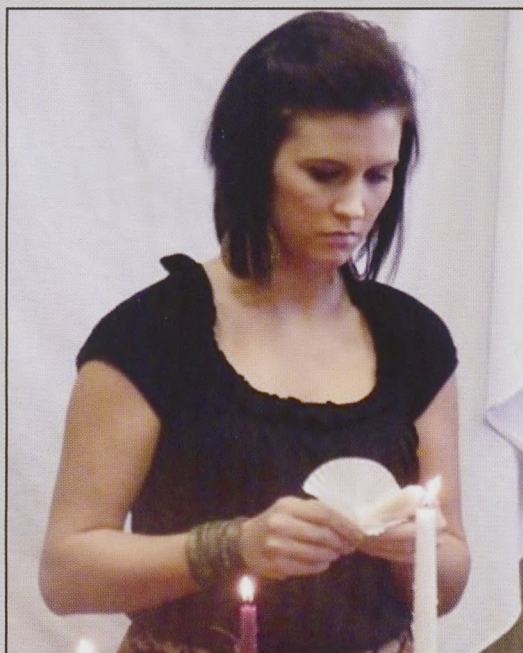
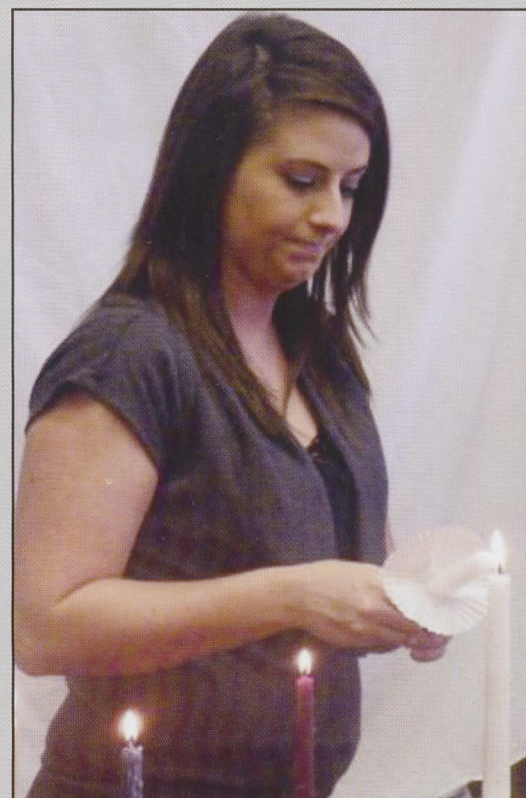
"SNO provides me with limitless opportunities."
-Haleigh Conner

phi beta lambda

organization develops leaders

Phi Beta Lambda brought business and education together through modern leadership and career development programs. New members were inducted in a ceremony in the Horace C. Holmes Student Union building on the SMCC campus. Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) was a national organization that helped any student in a business-related major including academic or career technical students. PBL was the largest business career student organization in the world. Southwest's PBL organization had a total of thirty-eight members, representing Health Care Data Technology, Office Systems Technology, Accounting Technology, Microcomputer Technology, Marketing, General Studies, Pre-Med, Nursing, and Welding. The advisors were Kim Tynes, Leeanne Rutland, Kathy Boyte, and Melissa Campbell.

by Rebekah Mote



right: Jayde Fortenberry lights her membership candle at initiation; far right: Robert Williams accepts his position as Parliamentarian officer by lighting the official candle; top: Savannah Reid lights her membership candle at initiation; bottom: Kathy Boyte, advisor; Savannah Reid, Quinitra Slocum, Brittney Hughes, Marilyn Williams, Crystal Hood, Jayde Fortenberry, Kayla Hamilton, Debra Andrews, Courtney Welch, Deneatres Deer; back row: Melissa Campbell, advisor; Rhonda Green, Tabitha Lesley, Jessica Bullock, Cymaree Lampton, Robert Williams, Angela Simmons, Lecia Lewis, Kelsey Hux, Lepatches Barnes, Leeanne Rutland, advisor; Dr. Kim Tynes advisor; Jeremy Smith, Vice-President for Career Technical Education.

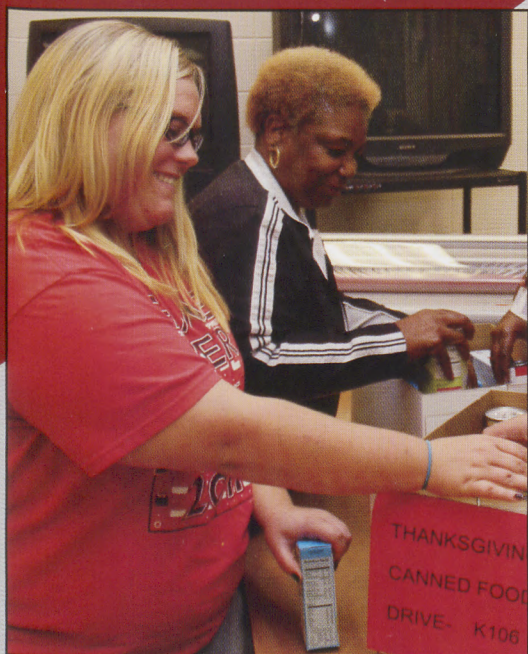


collegiate deca

group networks to succeed

Collegiate DECA was a student organization that provided students with the opportunity to reach their career goals as leaders and entrepreneurs. This group competed with students across the globe in events related to their major and to gain real world experience. It gave them a competitive edge over other college graduates. Collegiate DECA motivated students to be academically successful, community oriented, professionally responsible, and experienced leaders. It provided students with a sense of purpose and the tools to be the best, giving them an experience unlike any other college organization. This organization participated in many on-campus events. This year, Collegiate DECA collected 314 boxes for Operation Christmas Child. The chapter donated to WINGS (Women in Need of God's Shelter), a domestic violence center located in McComb, Mississippi. The officers challenged their loose change in colorful butterfly drawstring bags, which represented the shelter's logo. In addition to the \$50.00, the group collected sixteen coats to be distributed to its clients. Crystal King and Alonah Malendres represented the organization in the Homecoming court. Collegiate DECA also received second place in the parade. Through this organization, students networked and formed relationships that will last a lifetime.

by Danielle Rimes



left: K-106 radio personality Robbie Hamilton adjusts Collegiate DECA member Alex Fuller's headphones as he prepares for his live radio spot challenging other clubs and organizations to participate in the food drive; far left: Chelsea Tarver and Sarah Scott prepare canned goods for food drive; top: LaShun Dillon finds a stuff animal to put in a shoe box; below: Collegiate DECA member, Cynthia Deemer, completes paperwork for Belhaven University at the SMCC College Transfer Fair.



tri beta

participation enhances learning

Beta Beta Beta Biological Honor Society was a society for undergraduate students dedicated to improving the understanding and appreciation of biological study and extending boundaries of human knowledge through scientific research. Tri Beta initiated five students for regular membership and nine students for associate membership. Nine associate members were promoted to regular membership. Dr. Gabe Gabler spoke to Tri Beta members about what it takes to become a physical therapist. Tri Beta hosted a professional lecture series on careers in biological sciences. Tri Beta members participated in Mississippi EPSCoR, which was a scholarship program that enhanced scientific and technological research in the state of Mississippi. The goal of the program was to provide community college students with research experience. Tri Beta members assisted with the Body Walk at a local elementary school. Body Walk was a unique health education program designed to educate elementary school students in Mississippi the importance of being physically active and making good nutrition choices. Members helped with the Math and Science Department homecoming float and the Science Building homecoming decorations.

by Huda Mohammad



above: Robin Kuntz, advisor; Johann Rosenbohm, Decarlo Fortenberry, Candace Bryan, Debbie Carmel, Kristina Rayborn, Tiffany Howard, Jessica Ryals, Marika Zarafyan, Mason Thornton, Alana Gabler, advisor; top: Johann Rosenbohm signs induction book; right: Kathryn Jelks walks alongside of Tri Beta's float.



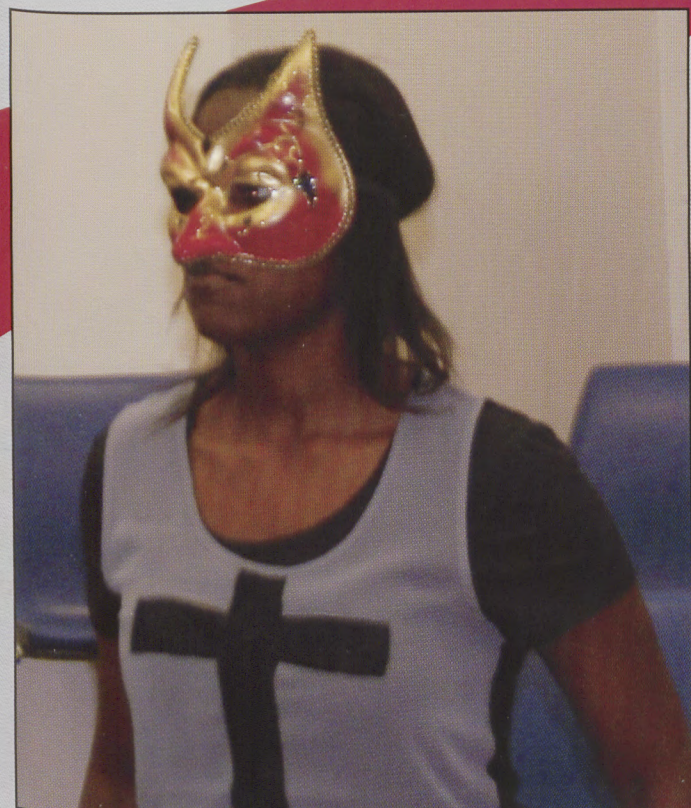


anime club

movies represent culture

The Anime Club attracted several fans of the genre and curious students who had not heard of it. The term “anime,” is the type of animation that is produced in Japan, including animated television shows and movies. The Anime Club met once a week under the guidance of Noriko Faust, Japanese instructor, and Jason Mathena. Members discussed and enjoyed many different aspects of the Japanese popular culture. On Mondays, they would view a selection of two episodes from either the same or different anime; sometimes also squeezing in panels of Japanese culture like Cosplay (costume design), art (manga), making sushi, and Japanese gaming. The Anime Club went to New Orleans, LA, for Japan Fest 2012. Other major club activities included the group feedback discussions, a Halloween costume contest, Pirate Christmas, and a Valentine’s/Mardi Gras party. Anime Club bestowed an array of campus involvement through participation with other students of the same interest.

by Rebekah Mote



left: Olivia Robinson dresses up for Mardi Gras party; top: Noriko Faust, Japanese instructor, prepares rice for sushi; above: Jason Mathena, Olivia Robinson, Celestial James, Chelsea Johnson; second row: Chris McKenzie, Trey Bouie, Glen Rimes, Lance Reid, Nikki Johnson, Jesse Fassbender.



phi theta kappa

students serve community

Thirty students were inducted into Phi Theta Kappa Omicron Delta Chapter. Phi Theta Kappa Omicron Delta Chapter was an honor's society based on academic achievements. Phi Theta Kappa was similar to the high school BETA honor society. According to the article two of the Constitution of Omicron Delta Chapter, "The purpose of Omicron Delta chapter of Phi Theta Kappa at Southwest Mississippi Community College shall be the promotion of scholarship, the development of leadership and service and the cultivation of fellowship among qualified students of this college." In order to be invited into Phi Theta Kappa, a student must have completed fifteen college hours in one college semester and continually maintain a 3.5 or above overall grade point average. Once inducted into Phi Theta Kappa the student must maintain a 3.0 overall grade point average. Meeting the requirements for joining the Phi Theta Kappa was difficult; however, there were many advantages of being in the Phi Theta Kappa that made the hard work worthwhile. Numerous four-year universities offered scholarships to members of Phi Theta Kappa and had similar honor societies at the university for students to join. Being a member of Phi Theta Kappa offered students the chance to participate in community service projects such as working at St. Andrews Thrift store, assisting with the SMCC college fair, and helping with the local MICA food pantry. As a member of Phi Theta Kappa, students also had the opportunity to acquire leadership skills by attending the Regional and National Phi Theta Kappa Conventions. An organization such as Phi Theta Kappa recognized the dedication required to achieve such high standards and encouraged students to reach their academic and leadership potential as they continue their educational careers beyond the two year level.

by Danielle Rimes

"I am honored to be part of a service oriented club."

-Lanie Connelly



top left: New inductees are Justin Holt, Elshkita Holmes, Gary Havlin, Dylan Gregoire, Jayde Fortenberry, Jerrid Fleming, Michael Dunaway, Deneatres Deer, Marketta Coleman, Veronica Chambers, Barbara Bynum; second row: Kaedderick Jackson, Nicolette Johnson, Amy Lambert, Lauren Mabile, Jesse McDaniel, Regina Miller-Nunnery, Jane O'Rourke, Brian Pittman, Linda Reeves, Jessica Rials, Kade Scivicque, Layla Smith, Susan Hedges, PTK advisor; and Lea Touchstone, PTK advisor.

opposite page: Tori Harvey and Niki Johnson load pickup truck with food bank donations; left: Erin Sumrall, Jessica St. Pierre, Casey Lyle, Jana Copper, and Tori Harvey wave in Homecoming Parade.

pine burr

news reaches readers

Published monthly and written by students, the *Pine Burr* informed students with the news and events on campus. The newspaper staff learned journalism, people, and time management skills. The staff worked hard following the latest stories involving educational programs, athletic events, cultural activities, student organizations, and alumni achievements. Students were taught how to use the Quark computer program which was used to create the template of the paper before it was sent to press at the local *Enterprise-Journal*. The *Pine Burr* staff included various types of students such as cartoonists, journalists, poets, and photographers. The students on staff were inspired to write how they felt and what the students around them felt. Lanie Connelly's design was chosen as the new t-shirt design. Joe Papisan, cartoonist, won first place in MPA Better Newspaper Contest Student Division Cartoon Division of community colleges at the O.C. McDavid Journalism Conference in Jackson, MS.

by Danielle Rimes

right: Julie Etheridge reads *Pine Burr* newspaper; bottom right: Haley Lambert and Danielle Rimes have fun decorating for a party.



above: Edward Miller, Danielle Rimes, Olivia Robinson, Haley Lambert, Kaylie Crosby, Raven Williams, Joyce Mabry, adviser; second row: Celestial James, Ashley Maxwell, Lanie Connelly, Kayla Boyd, editor; Brooke Cartwright; not pictured: Rebekah Mote





scholars' bowl

scholars attend nationals

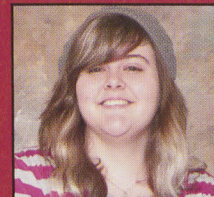
Scholars Bowl was for students who dared to test their knowledge in all subjects. To be part of the team, students were interviewed by Karen May and Dori Richardson. Scholars practice was held from 2:30-3:30 in the Math building each week. Students were welcomed to practice anytime or to stop by and see what it was like. During practice and competitions, there were four to five people on a team. The group attended competitions at other community colleges throughout the year. Scholars traveled to Faulkner State Community College in Orange Beach, Alabama, where the team placed seventh of sixteen, and one of the players, Jane O' Rourke placed fourth of seventy-six students. Team members also challenged themselves at Bevill State Community College in Jasper, Alabama. They then competed at the sectional tournament held at Northeast Mississippi Community College in Booneville, Mississippi, where they placed third of eight, and Jane O' Rourke placed fifth individually among thirty-five students. Students attended the Community College Championship Tournament in St. Louis, Missouri.

by Renee Fortinberry and Rebekah Mote

left: Dori Richardson, adviser; Jane O' Rourke, Karen May, adviser; second row: Renee Fortinberry, Anna Wicker, Hayden Wallace, and Richard Hodges; bottom right: Renee Fortinberry answers question correctly; bottom left: Dori Richardson, adviser, and Karen May, adviser, call out questions in practice session.



“The competition is challenging.”
—Anna Wicker



“St. Louis was awesome!”
—Jane O'Rourke

student government association

“My experience with SGA was simply magical. Not only did I serve my class under Dean Ashley, I met very unique individuals as well,”

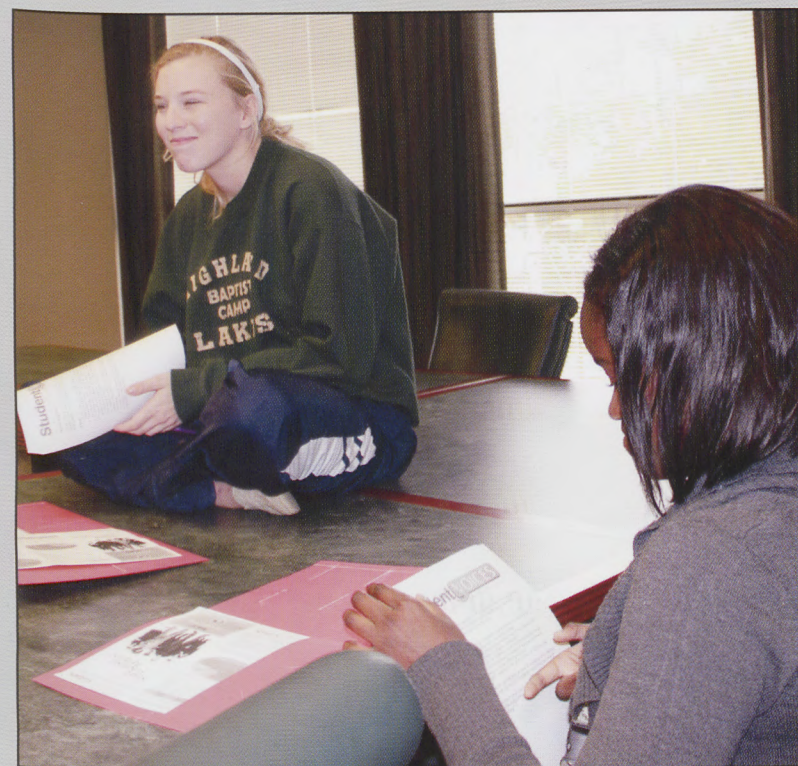
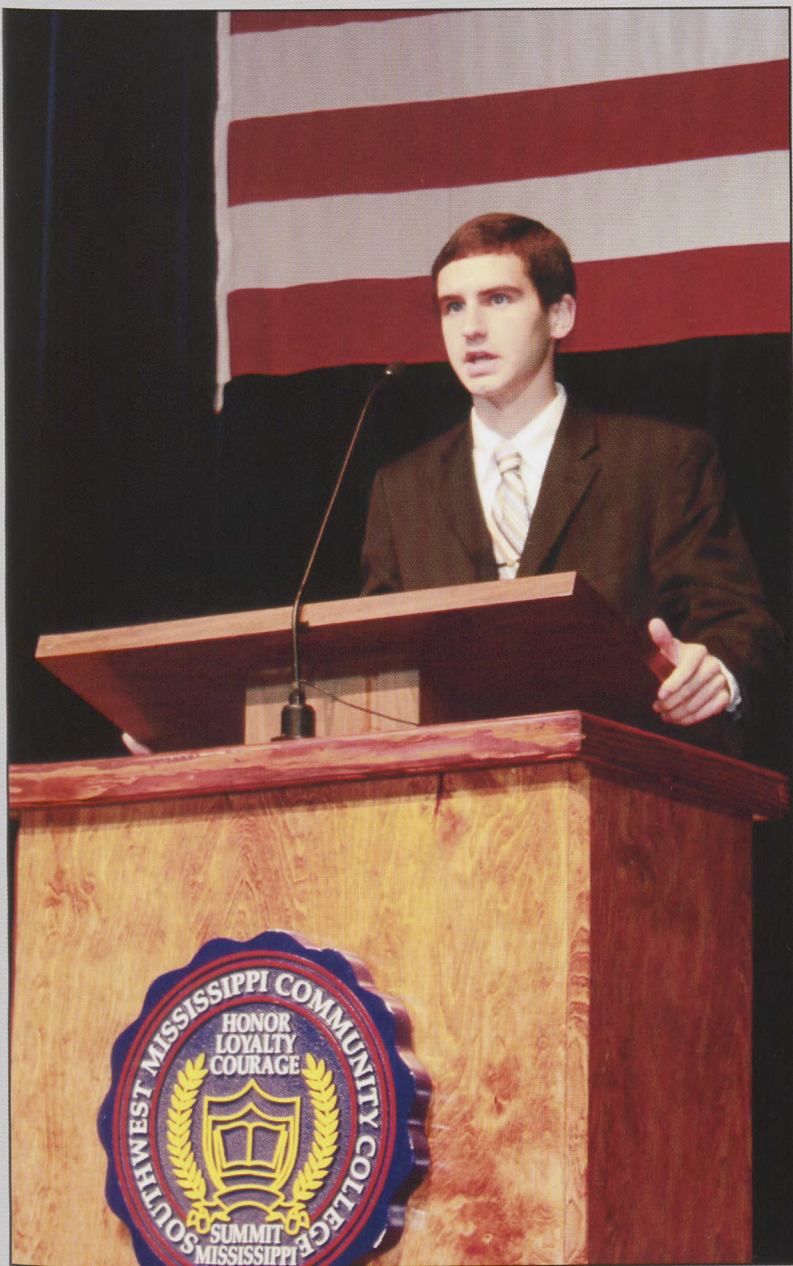
—David Ivy

Student Government Association (SGA) was a group of students selected by their peers to plan various student activities each school year. The elected students met on a weekly basis to discuss issues and coordinate upcoming events. This year the SGA went to Student Voices workshop at Hinds Community College where they met SGA members from other colleges as well as several legislatures. To really motivate their peers for homecoming, SGA sponsored a week of fun filled activities. SGA activities included a cookout, powder puff football game, scavenger hunt, a carnival, steak cooking contest, coke drinking contest, texting contest, a hot dog eating contest, and a dunking booth. At the carnival, the band, a group called "Influence" and the Steel Pans were the entertainment.

by David Ivy



left: Gary Havlin and Tate Allen manage the slide at the tailgating party; top right: Dr. Bill Ashley gives presentation to SGA members; bottom right: Brandon Williams, Richard Hodges, and LeeAnna Hill sell rally towels at tailgating party; opposite page: top: Richard Hodges speaks at Veterans' Day assembly; bottom: LeeAnna Hill and Olivia Robinson participate in SGA meeting.



SGA Officers



Bill Ashley, Vice-President of Student Affairs; Josh King, President; Rebekah Richard, Vice-President; LeeAnna Hill, Secretary; Gary Havlin, Treasurer

Sophomore Class Officers



Bill Ashley, Vice-President of Student Affairs; Richard Hodges, President; Hilary Coney, Vice-President; Haylie Lambert, Treasurer; Olivia Robinson, Secretary

Freshman Class Officers



Bill Ashley, Vice-President of Student Affairs; David Ivy, Secretary; Jolee Musslewhite, Treasurer; Edward Miller, President; Emily Alford, Vice-President



whispering pines

recording memories creates smiles



Whispering Pines staff and Joyce Mabry, adviser, attended the Eleventh Annual National College Yearbook Workshop in New Orleans, LA. The staff worked for three days to learn about creativity and journalism. The tracks at the workshop ranged from Advanced InDesign to Editor Leadership. Members of the staff were taught the new and most up-to-date techniques to produce the yearbook successfully.

"In Motion" was chosen as this year's theme with the idea that students, faculty, staff, and administration were always "In Motion" on campus. The *Whispering Pines* staff worked many days writing copy, designing layouts, and proofing. They also celebrated meeting deadlines by having pizza parties. While designing the yearbook, *Whispering Pines* staff members learned many new techniques and how to apply a graphic correctly to a page. The yearbook was recognized by the MCJCPA yearbook competition as an outstanding yearbook by placing first in cover, typography, and structure divisions.

by Courtney Welch

opposite page: Sammikay Clark and Edward Miller, editors, proof yearbook pages; left: Courtney Welch, editor, works with workshop instructor, Stephen Williams; below: Rebekah Mote edits copy; bottom: Latesha Barnes eats pizza at "Deadline Party."



Joyce Mabry, adviser; Brandon Williams, Huda Mohammad, Precious Martin, Courtney Welch, editor; Brooke Cartwright, Hannah Monroe, Rebekah Mote, Ashleigh Roberts, LeAnna Hill; second row: Edward Miller, editor; Trisha Williamson, Latesha Barnes, Shelby Green, David Ivy; seated on wall: Haley Lambert, Danielle Rimes, editor; not pictured: Sammikay Clark, editor



future educators of america

tutoring encourages students

Future Educators of America (FEA) was an organization offering experience and guidance to students hoping to achieve a career in teaching. Led by advisors Nancy Holmes and Gwen May, FEA met three times a semester on Mondays at noon in the upstairs dining room of the Holmes Student Union where they were served a small lunch. Their goals were to promote the image of education in the community, prepare prospective teachers entering the workforce, and produce more well-informed and well-equipped educators. FEA helped serve the community and allowed members to become more familiar with working with students by providing tutoring sessions in the library with children from local elementary schools. FEA also held a Christmas party at the local library for the schools in the area where members read to them and offered them snacks. "Working with the students is the best part! It allows me to get a better feel to what teaching actually will be like," said FEA member Huda Mohammad.

by Huda Mohammad



above left: Nancy Holmes, adviser; Huda Mohammad, Michelle Buras, Katie Dillon, Gwen May, adviser; second row: Brian Pittman, Eddie Ratliff; top left: Nancy Holmes, adviser; Kaitlyn Nettles, President; Hayden Wallace, First Vice-President; Jamie O'Quinn, Second Vice-President; Heather Wages, Secretary; and Gwen May, adviser; top right: Huda Mohammad and Katie Dillon sort donations for the food drive; opposite page: Tabitha Stinson signs her name at induction ceremony.

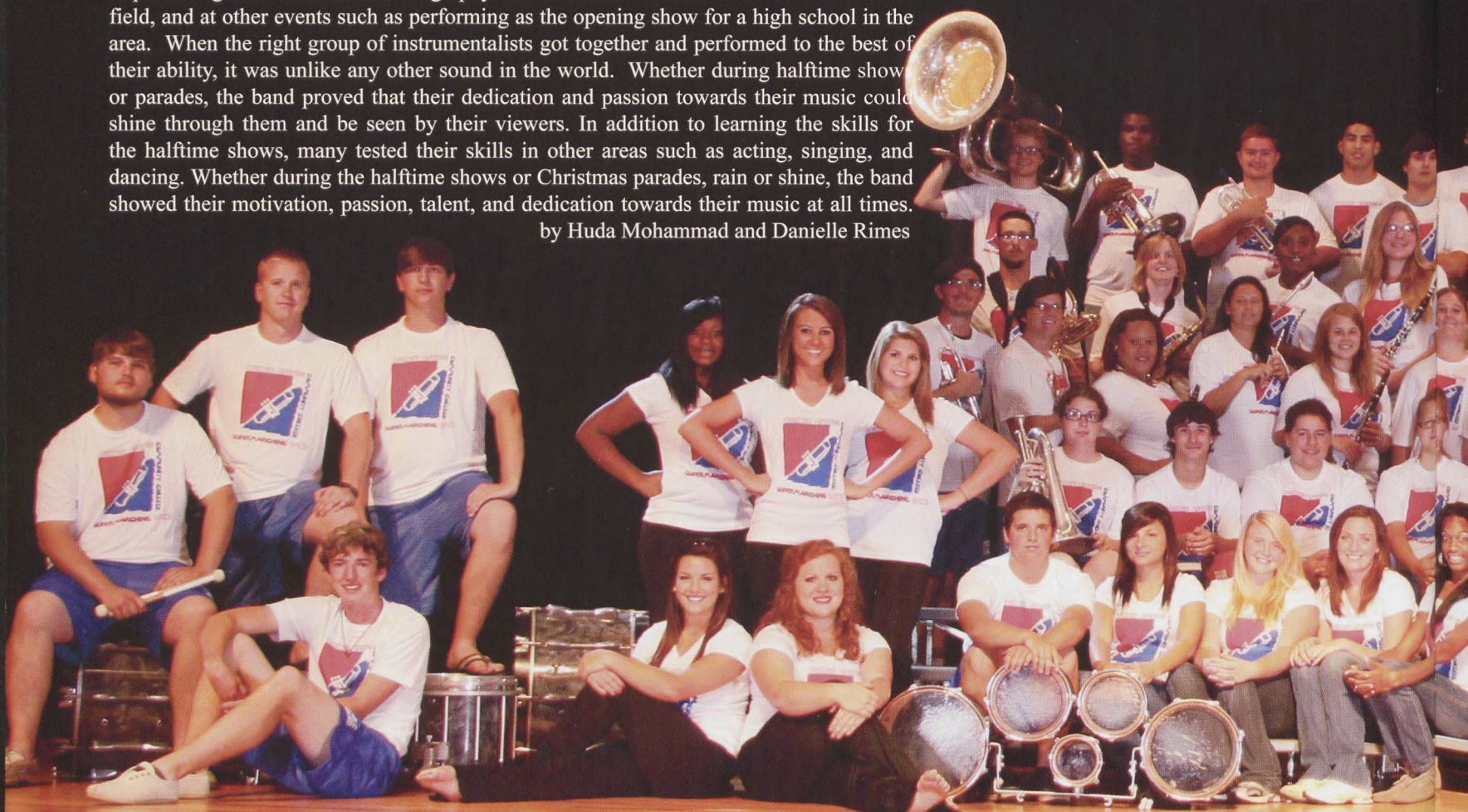


marching band

keeping the beat motivates others

Band members have dedicated many hours of their time to make marvelous music for SMCC. The members attended summer camp in August where they practiced for many weeks. It was not easy, but with a lot of practice and motivation; they were able to accomplish wonderful things. Starting at band camp, the marching band was ready to begin the season. Maintaining the beat and wowing the fans at football and basketball games were not their only responsibility. Under the direction of Andrew Dale, the band director, and Jason Mathena, the assistant instructor, they allured many viewers during the football season and parades. All of the band's hard work and devotion to perfecting their show and choreography was beneficial each time the band took center field, and at other events such as performing as the opening show for a high school in the area. When the right group of instrumentalists got together and performed to the best of their ability, it was unlike any other sound in the world. Whether during halftime show or parades, the band proved that their dedication and passion towards their music could shine through them and be seen by their viewers. In addition to learning the skills for the halftime shows, many tested their skills in other areas such as acting, singing, and dancing. Whether during the halftime shows or Christmas parades, rain or shine, the band showed their motivation, passion, talent, and dedication towards their music at all times.

by Huda Mohammad and Danielle Rimes



above: Bradley Humphreys, Lauren Aucoin, Crystal Byrd, Colt Bassemier, D'shea Brister, Christina Granger, Kayla Robertson, La'Terrica McClain, Haylie Allen, Jamie Davis, Kaitlyn Nettles, Valerie LeBlanc, Jonathan Triagle, Alonah Malendres, Shelby Green, LJ Smith; second row: Steven Bryan, Aaron Lewis, Tanner Smith, Akili Patterson, Lauren Little, Chancey Harvey, Layla Smith, Nick Farris, Holli Bullock, Amanda Wicker, Whitney Cothorn, Nikki Johnson, Mike Magee, Warren Wood, Sammikay Clark, Allyah Durr, Michelle Alexander, Melody Pace, Darius Hampton, Kenyon Tobias; third row: Michael Williams, Christopher Stewart, Brandi Smith, Megan Haraughty, Taylor Miles, Lacey Jackson, Morgan Plummer, Kendra Tobias, Dalton Cooper, Chris Hoover, Rob Broyles; fourth row: Trevor Haraughty, Chelsey Johnson, Chereigna Dixon, Elizabeth Cutrer, Haley Sterling, Jesse McDaniel, Chase Freeman, Fred Belton, Brent Powell; back row: Matthew Stewart, DeAngelo Howard, Ethan Young, Luis Lopez, Marty White, Lance Reid, Josh King, Zac Causey, Justin Boyd, Samuel Wells, Ash Reid, Darius Jones, Heather Boyd. Not pictured Kayla Boyd.



“I love being a member of the Marching Band. It's like one big happy family”
 -Morgan Plummer



opposite page: Robert Broyles plays electric guitar during a half time show; opposite page, middle: Darius Tucker and Matthew Stewart play in the brass section; left: Kenyon Tobias, Aaron Lewis, and Tamer Smith play drums during a show; left: Jesse McDaniel plays keyboard.



steel drum band



Taylor Miles, Whitney Cothren, Lacey Jackson; second row: Megan Haraughty, Sarah Fitzgerald, Jesse McDaniel, Colt Bassemier, Nick Ferris, Heather Boyd, Chelsea Johnson; third row: Jonathan Tringle, Aaron Lewis, Michael Williams, Ash Reid, Darius Jones, Jamielee Davis, Bradley Humphreys, and Jason Mathena

dance line



Chancey Harvey, Shelby Green, Alonah Malendres, Lauren Aucoin, Melody Pace; second row: Crystal Byrd, Aliyah Durr, Lauren Little, Michelle Alexander, and Akili Patterson.

color guard



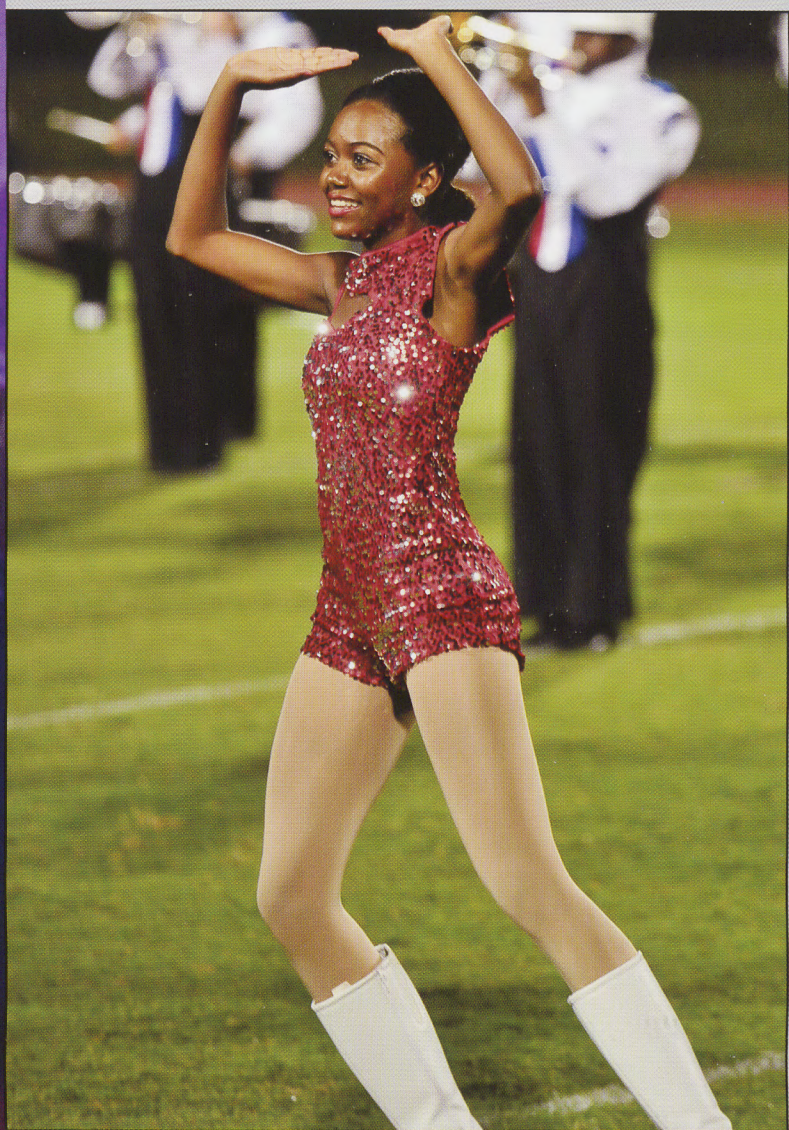
Jamie Lee Davis, Christina Granger, Valerie LeBlanc, Kaitlin Nettles, Laterria McClain; second row: Kayla Robertson, Haylie Allen, and D'Shea Brister.

steel drum band, dance line, and color guard

talent entertains fans

Steel Drum band kept the music alive at Southwest. These drums made Southwest a fun place for people who have musical talent. Under the direction of Jason Mathena, those talented students were taught how to play numerous songs on their set of the steel pan drums. Throughout the year, the steel pan band performed at many school and community events. They performed at the Christmas Stage Band Show and other events held at Southwest. The flag line and dance line kept the crowd amazed during this football season. The flag line and dance line began their school year early during band camp as they were taught new routines. Both organizations performed at football games, Christmas parades and other events held on campus. The crowds were stunned by all of their routines that they mastered because they were always in motion.

by Danielle Rimes



opposite page: Kaitlin Nettles twirls flag during a football game; above: Aliyah Durr dances for the crowd.



top: Ethan Young, Savanna Smith, Jasmine Sargent, Valerie LeBlanc, Tate Allen, Alonah Malendres, Shelby Green, Lauren Aucoin, Taneeya Naylor, James Plummer, LeeAnna Hill, Hannah Monroe, Emily Alford, and Warren Wood perform "Jingle All the Way;" bottom: Savanna Smith and Tate Allen sing "Jingle All the Way;" right: Hannah Monroe sings "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas;" far right: Savanna Smith, Tate Allen, Jasmine Sargent, Ethan Young, and Valerie LeBlanc sing "All I Want for Christmas Is You;" far left bottom: LeeAnna Hill sings "Do You Hear What I Hear?"; bottom: Emily Alford sings "O Holy Night."





"do you hear what i hear?"

stage band show gives bears to children at local hospitals

The Stage Band performed in the Hurst Auditorium of the Fine Arts Building where a festive musical backdrop represented the performance's theme of "Do You Hear What I Hear?" Shelton Whittington directed the show with assistance from Jason Mathena, and Rona Culotta directed the vocals with choreography by Lacey Godbold. The band performed the following songs: "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree," "Jingle All the Way," "Baby, It's Cold Outside," "Christmas Time is Here," "Rockin' on Top of the World," "Feliz Navidad," "O Christmas Tree," and "Rest You Merry Samba," with a presentation by the SMCC Steel Pans performing "Silent Night," and "Greensleeves." The vocal ensemble included Emily Alford, LeeAnna Hill, Hannah Monroe, Savanna Smith, Valerie LeBlanc, Jasmine Sargent, Warren Wood, Ethan Young, Tate Allen, and Morgan Plummer. The singers performed three group numbers: "Jingle All the Way," "All I Want for Christmas is You" featuring Savanna Smith as a soloist, and "Do You Hear What I Hear?" which featured solos by all the vocals. Each group song included dance routines performed by Lauren Aucoin, Shelby Green, Alonah Malendres, and Taneeya Naylor. The show also included two solo performances by Hannah Monroe singing "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas" and Emily Alford singing "O Holy Night." The technical director was Nathan Wells with Robbie Stewart over the sound and Scott Stinson controlling the lighting.

by Hannah Monroe



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Jerome Stewart fights for yardage.



ATHLETICS



“

I thought we came back and
did some good things in the
second half,”

Coach Charles Anthony.

punt the ball

Justin Holt puts ball in end zone

Every game the Bears put all of their heart and talent on the field, and throughout the whole season students cheered them on. The stands were filled with cheering fans at each game. This season did not bring down Southwest's hopes. The Bears viewed it as a lesson and plan on working extra hard to make their fans proud next season. "All I asked of our kids was to do their best," said Coach Charles Anthony, "and leave everything on the grass and they did that." The Bears never lost their pride or spirit.

by Huda Mohammad

opposite page: Justin Holt kicks football.



team power

bears show spirit



Offensive Line

Evan McFarland, Garrett Watts, Jed Rogers, Jared King, Maurice Thornton; second row: Jason Wells, Lesean Spann, Clinton McLain, Jordan Martin, Montel Whitfield, Anthony Thomas, and Assistant Coach Jeremy Varn



Linebackers

Robert Lowe, Mark Robinson, Tony Johnson, Raheem Robinson, Tyler Gilbert, Illiad Kelly, Nic Parker, Justin Proctor; second row: Joe Phillips, Tabien Jackson, David Way, Derriccho Hardaway, Maurice Magee, Cassaus Hall, and Head Coach Charles Anthony



Defensive Backs

James Benjamin, Keriotta Smith, Jose Patterson, Tim Lewis, David Mitchell, Xavier Leflore, Brennan Dunklin; second row: Dalvin Acker, O' Shea Grice, Steven Joiner, Jed Rogers, Terald McNell, Lott Walker, and Assistant Coach Donald Dikes



Specialists

Paul Johnson, Justin Holt, Jordan Grayson, and Assistant Coach Jeremy Varn



Offensive Skill

Dereonte Magee, Chris Cooley, Renard Williams, Jerome Stewart, Laderick Turner, Cedric McCullum, Korey Jones; second row: Greg Johnson, Bryce Spence, Kamry Owens, Schyler Walker, Jarvis Young, Wesley Smith, Turner Easterbrook, and Assistant Coach Jason Phillips

opposite page: Jerome Stewart rushes for yardage.



Head Coach Charles Anthony leads his team onto the field.

love of the **game**

bears prowl for yardage



SCOREBOARD

Itawamba
22-10

East MS
59-6

East Central
16-10

Pearl River
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Hinds
17-0

Gulf Coast
69-17

Jones Co.
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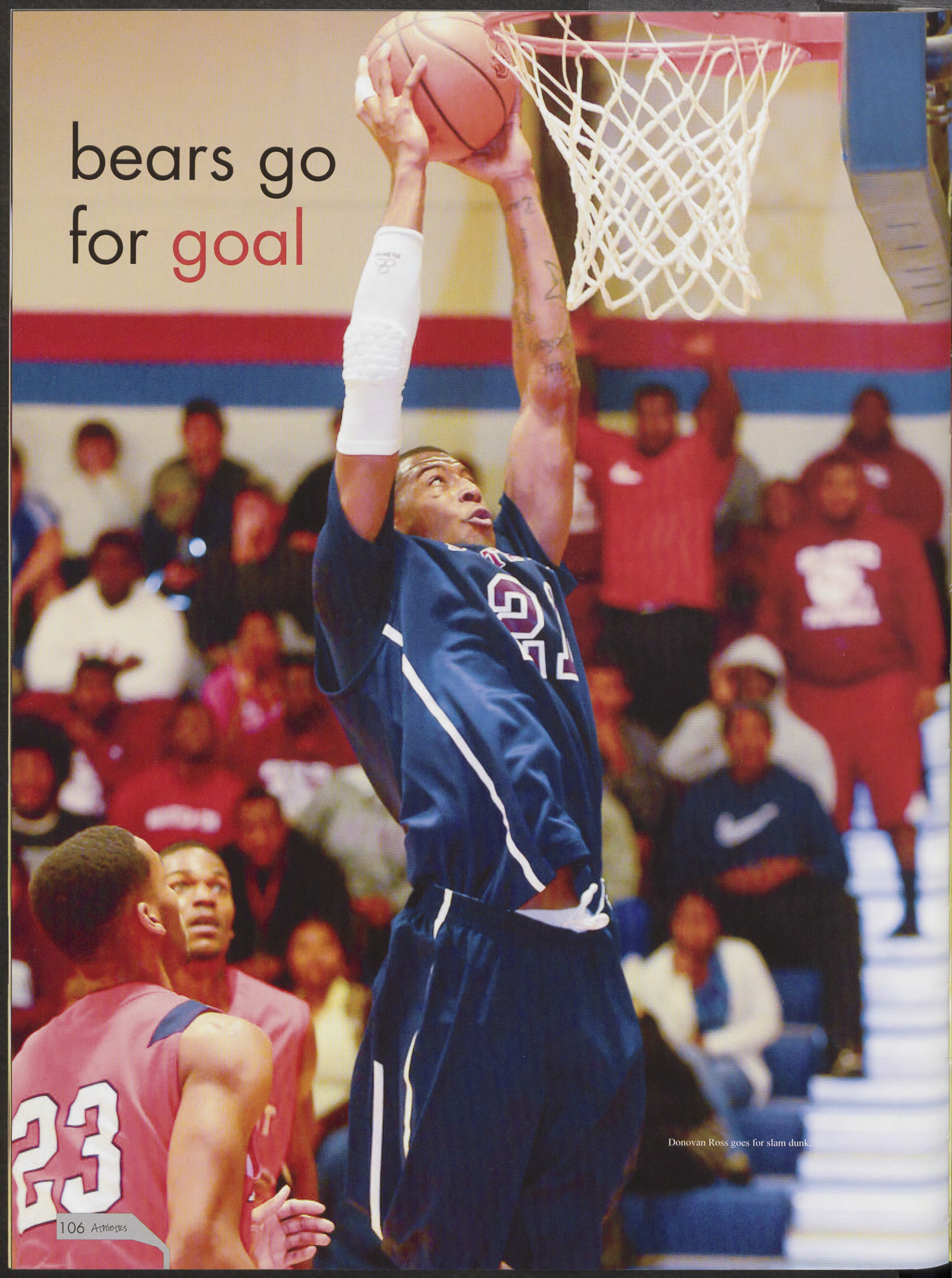
Co-Lin
23-10



opposite page: Jerome Stewart rushes for goal line; top right: Laderick Turner dashes to gain yards; right: Steve Joiner pushes through to the end zone; top: Terald McNeil fights his way to the first down.



bears go
for goal



Donovan Ross goes for slam dunk.



Cassie Berry jumps
the rebound.

love of the game

players work hard to get to regionals

The Southwest Bears ended the first round of MACJC South Division play on a high note January 24, 2013 against East Central. The Bears came out on top 89-80. Southwest Bears took an early 2-0 lead on Donovan Ross' jumper. Mark Bridgewater played exceptionally well in the first half of the game. Mark Bridgewater began firing in three-pointers and helped the Bears build their lead to as many as 18 points. The score was 42-24, with 5:36 on the clock. On January 28, 2013, the Bears started out a little sluggish, and the fans were nervously watching the players every movement in the commodious gymnasium. However, the Bears did recovery and won their third straight win, 72-52 against Meridian. As the Bears began picking up on their game, a 20-3 run capped by free throw by Deione Weeks led the Bears, 67-43 with 5:41 left in the game to continue to play and win against the Eagles. Southwest head coach, Casey Carter said, "Even though it was ugly at times, you're always happy with a road win, especially by 20 points. We weren't focused for 40 minutes, but we did enough to get the job done. I'm proud to see guys like Devin Flowers, Corey Williams and Deione Weeks have a productive night when some of our main guys didn't." Devin Flowers and Donovan Ross lead the Bears in scoring with 18 points. Deione Weeks scored 17 points. Corey Williams added 8 points. Deville Smith shot 7 points, and he dished out six assists and had five steals. Mark Bridgewater and Tyree McDonald both scored two. The Southwest Bears made good on 11 of their 16 free throws.

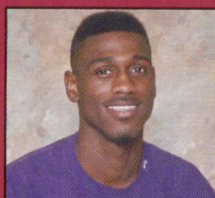
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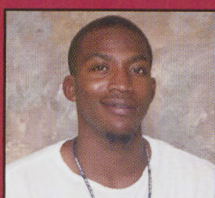
right: Devin Flowers slams a goal;
opposite page: Mikel Henry puts the ball
up for two points.



Corey Williams, Devion Smith, Devin Flowers, Mikel Henry, Cordaryl Weathersby, Mark Bridgewater, Tyree McDonald, Deville Smith; second row: Assistant Coach Thomas Gray, Christopher Lawrence, Quintarius Porter, Donovan James, Terry Bridges, Herbert Harrison, Donovan Ross, Deione Weeks, Lawrence Chukwu, and Head Coach Casey Carter



"Hard work pays off."
-Christopher Lawrence



"Basketball is my life."
-Deville Smith

SCOREBOARD

Northwest
98-94

Meridian
91-52

Delgado
87-84

Jones Co.
102-91

Miss Delta
81-64

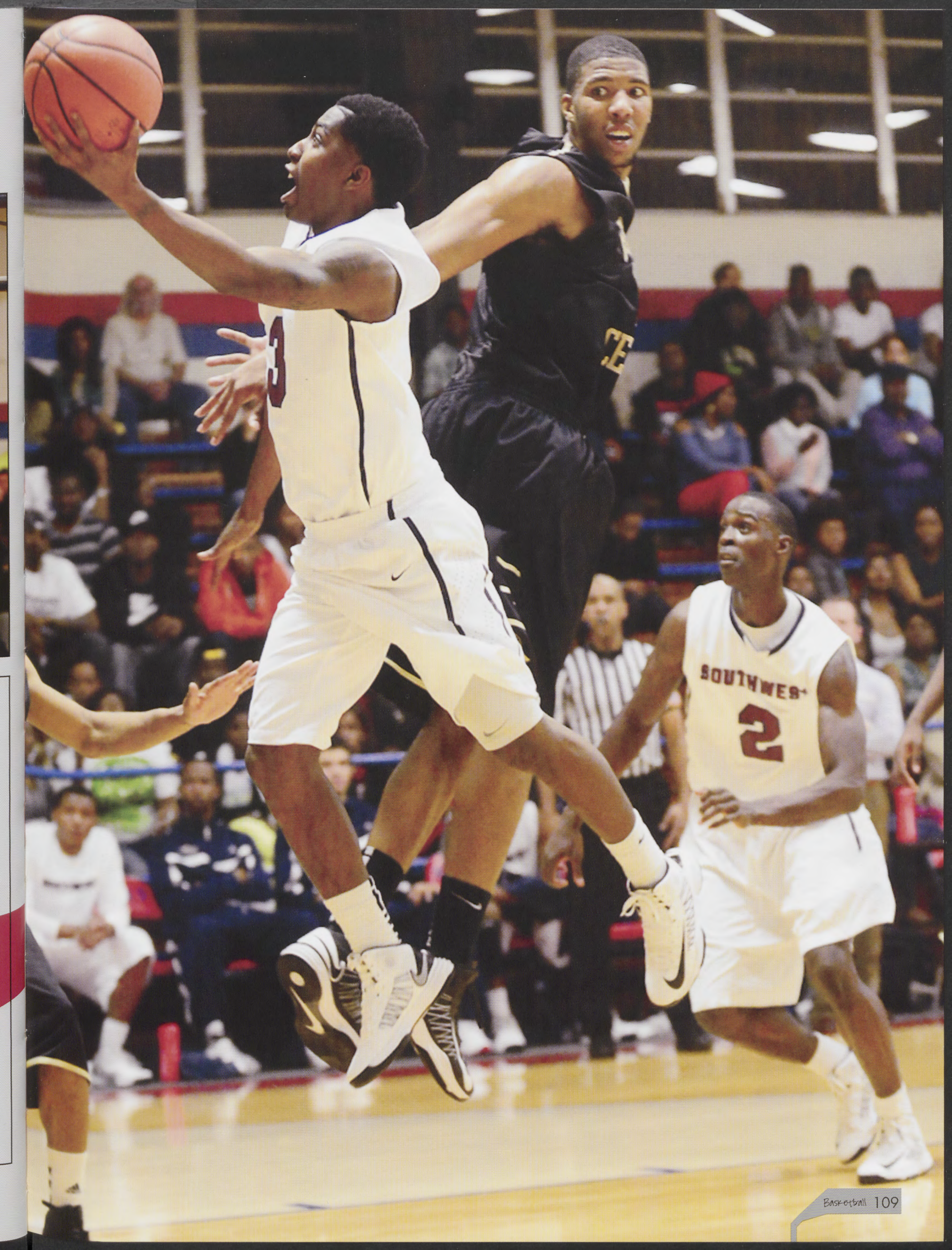
Holmes
84-69

Co-Lin
65-58

Pearl River
71-62

Hinds
75-69

East Central
89-80





taking it to the goal

winning attitudes win basketball games



Enthusiastic fans packed Horace Holmes Gymnasium and awaited the arrival of the Lady Bears. The Lady Bears did not disappoint their eager fans, but instead came out on top 59-52 to Mississippi Delta. With that win, the Lady Bears moved 6-5 on the season. The Lady Bears were a little rusty considering they had been on their long holiday break, but Brent Harris, Southwest's head man said, "I thought we played pretty well considering the long break." Katrina Littlepage led the Lady Bears with 14 points while April Levy followed in double figures with 10. Fredrikah Wilson and Chicurial Hill both added 8 points, Cassie Berry netted 6 points, Tee Myers scored 5, and Milesha McNulty scored 4. Alexis Avery and Elayne Robinson both netted 2 points. The Lady Bears hit 16 of their 23 free throws. Southwest Lady Bears went into overtime and won their third straight game with a 63-61 against Holmes in Goodman. The game tied at 53-53. Alexis Avery fired in a three-pointer to open the overtime and put the Lady Bears on top 56-53, and together the Lady Bears gained their lead to five points on three occasions and earned their victory against Holmes. Lady Bear, Elayne Robinson, said, "We are a group of girls who love the game and have wonderful coaches. Because of them and our strength and our belief in each other we have been able to accomplish a great deal of the goals we set for ourselves this year. The coaches and we have definitely turned "Lady Bears" into a name that you're proud to represent."

by Huda Mohammad

opposite page: Katrina Littlepage puts the ball up; left: Chicurial Hill goes for the goal.



Damiya McCullough, Tee Myers, Rebekah Richard, April Levy, Chicurial Hill, Alexis Avery, Cassie Berry, Katrina Littlepage, second row: Brent Harris, Head Coach, Tacara Garner, manager; Tarnisha Washington, manager; Fredrikah Wilson, Madison Jones, Elayne Robinson, Katelyn Whaley, Milesha McNulty, Chanice Hall, manager; Keaira Hart, manager; Charinee Mitchell, Assistant Coach



"I love being a member of an awesome team!"
-Rebekah Richard



"Competing on the court energizes me."
-Alexis Avery

SCOREBOARD

Northwest
66-58

Meridian
82-63

Delgado
60-47

Jones Co.
71-53

Miss Delta
59-52

Holmes
63-61

Co-Lin
60-59

Pearl River
56-55

Hinds
69-44

East Central
69-55



taking the spirit to the crowd

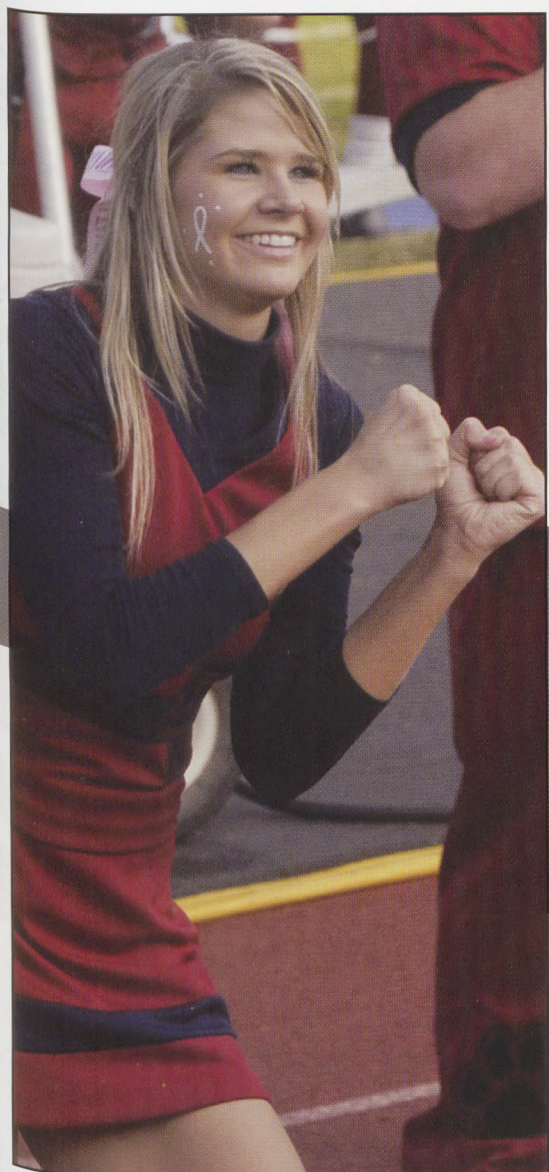
cheer team wins awards at uca camp



Teneeya Naylor, Lyderious Isaac, Jessica Agnor; second row: Kaylie Crosby, Julie Etheridge, Abby Kuyrkendall, Shakila Simmons, Christina Cunningham, Jolee Musselwhite, Hanna Thompson, Taylor Gregory, Katie Paulk, Brookleigh Brumfield; third row: Zack Etheridge, Preston Barnum, Logan Conerly, Coach Dawn Brumfield, Blake Brock, Clayton Dyar, Brian Pittman

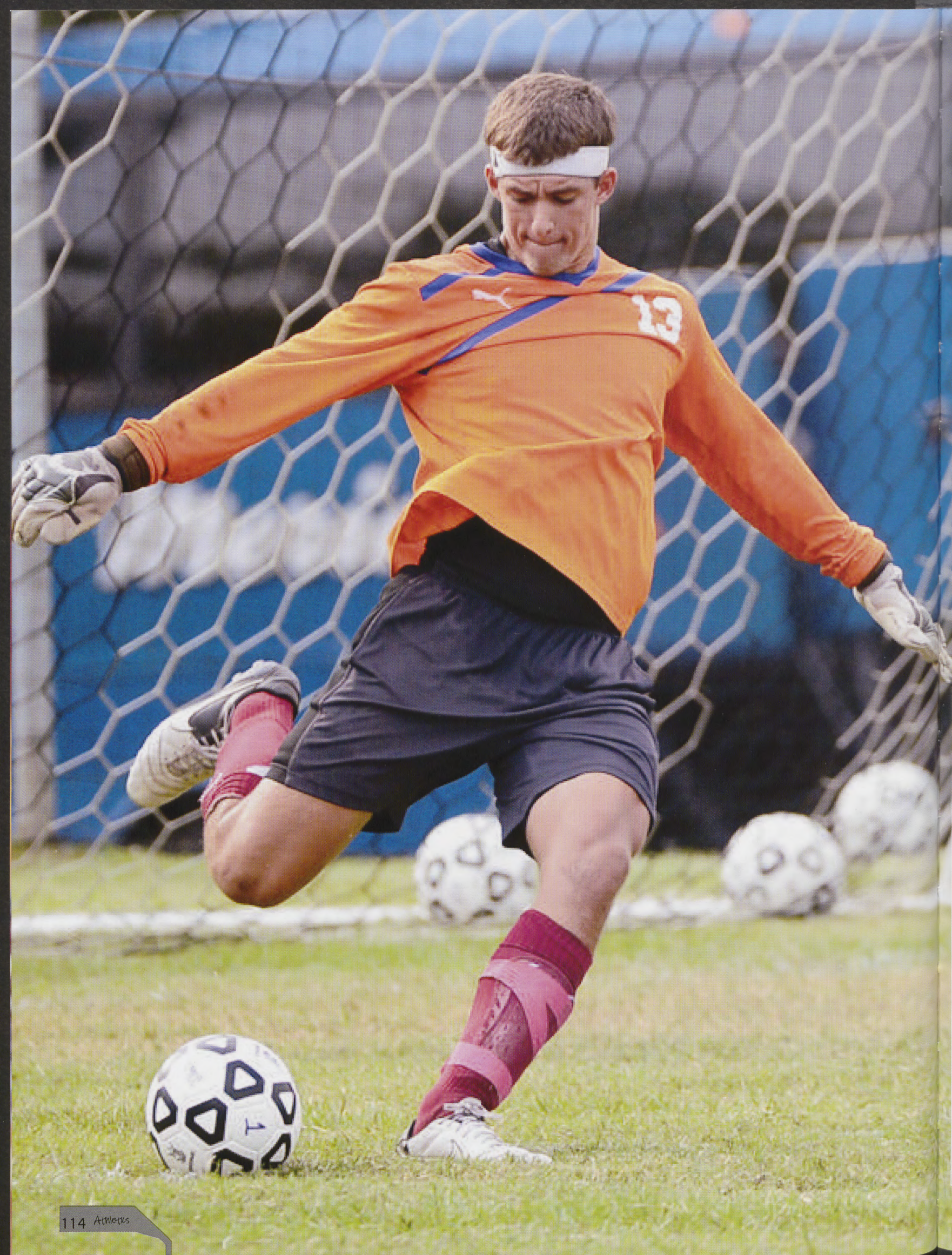
Cheerleaders worked very hard to make football, as well as basketball season, a great success, and also had lots of fun in the process. From intense summer practices to attending UCA camp in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, this year's cheerleaders have managed to keep very busy schedules. They began their summer by heading off to UCA camp where they spent three days learning new cheers, chants, and stunts. They returned home, bringing four trophies with them. The next week they attended a two day stunt clinic at Gym of Dreams. The cheerleaders were also involved in many other activities such as Southwest Day at McComb Market, the tailgate party before the first home football game, numerous pep rallies, and the Southwest Homecoming parade, as well as several Christmas parades. The cheerleaders have been very successful this year and have enjoyed cheering on their Bears and entertaining their fans.

by Julie Etheridge



"Cheering for the Bears has been an amazing experience. We've had lots of fun as a team and made lots of great memories."
-Julie Etheridge

opposite page: Taylor Gregory dances with Charlie the bear; top right: Brian Pittman and Preston Barnum cheer on the bears; above: Taylor Gregory, Lyderious Isaac, and Jessica Agnor show the crowd a few moves; left: Jessica Agnor waves to the crowd; far left: Jolee Musselwhite dances during a football game.



kick to win

players hustle to win



Bears won the first over Mississippi Gulf Coast in school history on October 9, 2012. Southwest took a 1-0 lead in the game when Anthony DeJardine flew through the air to head the ball to teammate Jake Saltalamacchia, who then found the back of the goal at the 12:00 mark. The lead held up until the 39th minute when the Bulldogs scored to tie the game at 1-1. The game remained tied until 69:00 when, with Jeremy Foster assisting, Saltalamacchia again found the back of the goal for what proved to be the game winner. Southwest keeper Will Evans saved seven of eight shots on goal. "It was our best performance of the year," said Southwest head coach Drew Gallant of his team's big victory. "We have improved every game and it showed today. We never gave up any opportunities and created a lot of goal scoring opportunities."

“It was our best performance of the year.”
— Head Coach Drew Gallant



Mike Barlow, Dalton Cooper, Jeremy Foster, Destin Beech, Van Worthy, Chris Hoover, Brett Morreale, Jared Lee, Anthony DeJardine, Jonathon McGonagle; second row: Coach Drew Gallant, Ryan Willcutt, Alex Brown, Jake Saltalamachia, Paul Johnson, Cody Wells, Bryan Stewart-Bennett, Jackson Wall, Cody Mills, Tanner Ryals, Conner Masters, Will Evans. not pictured: Hunter Kaplan, Derek Weiss.



opposite page: Will Evans kicks ball down field; top: Paul Johnson and Bryan Stewart-Bennette move ball to score; far left: Jake Saltalamachia keeps ball for bears; left right: Jonathon McGonagle battles for control.

cleats to ball

players move to score

Lady Bears prevailed 2-1 against East Central. Jessica St. Pierre put the Lady Bears on the board with a goal, her ninth of the season, at 6:00. She had an assist from Haley Dismuke. Courtney Palisi picked up Southwest's second goal at 48:00 with Jana Cooper assisting. Erin Sumrall saved three of the four shots on goal against her. SMCC's Lady Bears complete the season with a positive attitude and were determined to work harder for the next season.

by Huda Mohammad



Jessica St. Pierre, Jana Cooper, Magen Rogers, Haley Roalson, Dominique Joseph, Krystal Chailland, Shannon Richter; second row: Coach Drew Gallant, Katelyn Doyle, Jade Lee, Casey Lyle, Erin Sumrall, Haley Dismuke, Courtney Palisi, Kellee Cumpton



top: Coach Drew Gallant leads his Lady Bears onto the field; top right: Shannon Richter maintains control of the ball; far right: Krystal Chailland goes for the goal; right: Jade Lee kicks ball down field. opposite page: Jessica St. Pierre makes pass to keep ball for the bears.







hit to win

team likes challenges

The baseball team is ready to start a new year with a new group of players for 2013. After having a very large sophomore group in 2012, twenty-one freshmen were brought in to join six sophomores for this season.

Kade Scivicque (Maurepas, LA, H. S.), an LSU signee for 2014, headlines the sophomore group. Scivicque does double duty as catcher and as the team's closer on the mound. Sophomore Chris Gill (Oak Forest Academy-Amite, LA) will also play behind the plate, as well as transfer Cody Berryhill (Starkville H. S.).

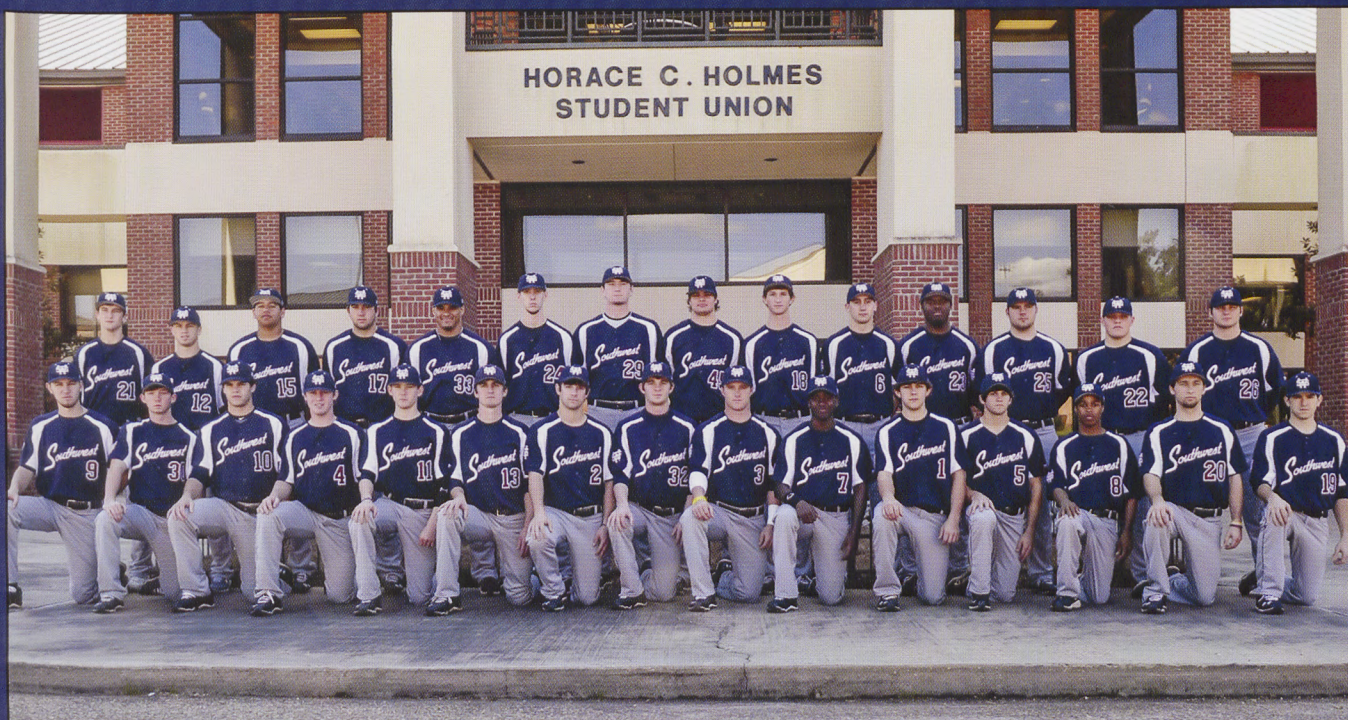
Second baseman Brandon Austin (Parklane Academy) is the lone sophomore in the middle infield. Logan Ferrell (Purvis H. S.) will only play shortstop, while Anthony Durr (North Pike H. S.) and Austin Knight (Sumrall H. S.) are interchangeable at the two positions.

After missing postseason play by just one game in 2012, Head Coach Lee Kuyrkendall hopes the new additions will adjust to the new level quickly. "We like our new guys," Kuyrkendall said, "and if they develop, along with good seasons by our veterans, it could result in a very competitive group. We are not as big physically as in past years, but there is more team speed and we should see a better defensive team."

As always, any South Division schedule is tough. The Bears will also play four opponents nationally ranked in various preseason polls, which includes Chipola (FL), Hinds, Kellogg (MI) and defending national champion LSU-Eunice.

"We like playing a good schedule," said Kuyrkendall. "Even though we were up and down last year, we still defeated four nationally ranked teams as the season progressed. I know our guys are looking forward to playing that type of schedule and are excited about the challenges ahead."

by Courtney Welch



above: Drew Jones, Caleb Crumpler, Kyle Crifasi, Logan Ferrell, Jared Simon, Dylan Gregoire, Austin Knight, J.D. Stockstill, Chris Gill, Andrew Hulbert, Anthony Durr, Brandon Austin, Marvin Van Buren, Colton Lee, Cody Berryhill; second row: Patric Devlin, Zach Jones, Frank Rodriguez, Derek Lacoste, Collin Carroll, Chase Ladd, Jesse Travis, Trace Robison, Jackson Crain, Tyler Towles, Kendric Hodges, Austin White, Kade Scivicque, Jason Milton.

opposite page: Brandon Austin tags MS Delta player out;
top: Kade Scivicque slides into first base.

Southwest
BASEBALL TEAM





deats on the **move**

experience creates wins

Though having fifteen newcomers on the Lady Bears' nineteen-player roster, head softball coach Patsy Sandifer did not mind. She still relied on them to turn things around. Patsy Sandifer said, "I feel good about it because I feel they are good athletes. They bring a lot of experience from high school and travel ball. So I have no hesitation whatsoever about having such a rookie club." The Southwest softball team went on its season-opening road trip to Pensacola State College and Jefferson Davis College. The Lady Bears 12-7 win against Jefferson Davis came after they had trailed 5-0 in the fifth inning. Grace Bravata, Harley Myers and Carrie Phillips all had four hits for the Lady Bears while Chelsea Nette had three and Brianna Harper had two. Kristen Gekler, Victoria Jackson, Brittany Jones and Mandie Szigeti also had hits. Despite the youth of her team, Patsy Sandifer said, "We're deeper and stronger. We are better offensively and have more depth in pitching. Overall, we're a much stronger team." Leading the Southwest pitching corps was returner Rachel Smith. As a freshman, Rachel Smith picked up nine wins and struck out 185 batters. She ended her initial season in Summit by being named All-Region, All-State and All-South division. Patsy Sandifer said, "The team will depend on her a lot in the circle again this year." The Southwest softball team had five pitchers with five different styles that complimented each other and that was a strength for them. Four freshmen fill the rest of the pitching squad. Left-hander, Carrie Phillips had improved tremendously in her pitching and conditioning from the fall and had moved from number five to number two in the pitching rotation.

by Huda Mohamamd



**Southwest
SOFTBALL TEAM**

Case Johnson, manager; Bricana Harper, Victoria Jackson, Harley Myers, Mandi Szigeti, Miranda Smith, Kristen Gekler, Katie Allen, Chelsea Nette, Christina Hart; second row: Patsy Sandifer, head softball coach; Brittany Jones, Marissa Jenkins, Carrie Phillips, Mallory Buchanan, Amy Lea, Rachel Smith, Heather Magee, Grace Bravata, Jessica Olier, Mary Margaret McLaurin, Marisa Pruski, Shea Johnson, assistant softball coach.

opposite page: Chelsea Nette tags runner for out;
top: Amy Lea makes contact with ball.



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Josh King and the trumpet section
perform at football game.



PEOPLE



President Steve Bishop

Southwest moves forward

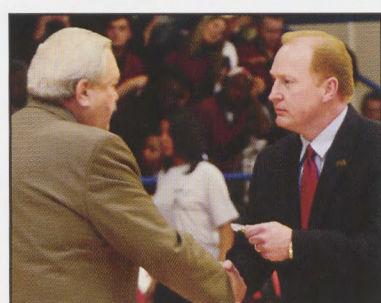


In his second year as SMCC President, Dr. Steve Bishop led the charge for the inception of and the completion of many positive changes that have impacted and will continue to impact SMCC in the coming years. From the education venue to the sports arena, carrying out Dr. Bishop's vision resulted in a focus on improvements in all areas of college life.

With regard to academics, Dr. Bishop spearheaded the development of the Student Success Center to more thoroughly address the academic needs of students. Through an early alert system for at-risk students, the Student Success Center allowed SMCC to take a proactive approach to help students do well in classes for which they needed additional help. As Dr. Bishop stated, "We hope this center will be a great benefit for not only students in remedial classes but also for those students who need a refresher." Under Dr. Bishop's direction, the college also added an Honors Institute. Students who qualify can now enjoy an enhanced academic experience at SMCC and graduate with honors distinction. The addition of the Wilkinson County branch continued to bring more academic opportunities to students. The Wilkinson County branch is just one step toward Dr. Bishop's goal of serving every student in our district. This year, SMCC also added new academic courses, new opportunities in the career-technical education division, and enhanced experiences for students in the nursing programs through the addition of a high-fidelity simulator mannequin. Dr. Bishop's encouragement and support of Phi Theta Kappa also led to the chapter's increased participation in regional and state conferences and conventions.

The infrastructure of our campus saw vast improvements this year. The college's facility enhancement plan involved replacing roofs, erecting new pressboxes, installing a scrolling sign, renovating the administration building, and renovating athletic facilities. The new Regional Workforce Training Center also officially opened its doors on February 22, 2013. This new facility allowed SMCC to provide more training for citizens of the district. Dr. Bishop made health and wellness a priority on campus. Through the Quality Enhancement Plan, our Wellness Center was completed. This facility houses state-of-the-art workout equipment for use by our students, faculty, and staff. Additionally, SMCC established a partnership with Mississippi Sports Medicine and Southwest Health Systems. Dr. Bishop's student activities background continued to guide the area of student activities. This year, SMCC added many new student activities to allow for greater student involvement and community involvement which served to enhance life on our campus. With a future of growth on the horizon, SMCC also embarked on the development of a ten-year master plan this year. In collaboration with Neel-Schaffer Consulting Firm, a committee led by Dr. Bishop carried out focus group sessions for students, faculty, staff, administrators, and community members to receive input with regard to facilities, academics, career-technical education, athletics, residence life, workforce training, and many other facets of SMCC as our college moves forward. The blueprint that was created will serve to guide decision-making for the college to make it the best it can be for years to come. A new, multimillion-dollar, state-of-the-art residence hall is part of this master plan. The future for SMCC holds many exciting possibilities. As Dr. Bishop stated, "With every step, small and large, progress is being made to continue to make SMCC the best community college it can be. I am honored to be a part of this outstanding institution, and I look forward to a bright future filled with possibilities for our students, our faculty, our staff, our administration, and our community."

by Brooke Cartwright



opposite page: President Bishop is pictured with his family Ruth, Katherine, Arthur, Eleanor, and wife Melanie Bishop; top: President Bishop works in his office; top right: President Bishop shows Pat Dickens, Mississippi Junior College/Community College Board Chairman, around the new Regional Workforce Training Center; above right: President Bishop recognizes Charles Ray Bates, President-SMCC Foundation, for being a member of the 1962-1963 Championship basketball team; above left: Dr. Bishop, Grady Smith, Vice-President of Business Affairs, and Jeremy Smith, Vice-President of Career-Technical Education, prepare for graduation ceremonies; top left: President Bishop addresses students at a Veterans' Day program.

board of trustees

board provides guidance

Board of Trustees was made up of seventeen men and women from all occupations. The members represented a cross-section of backgrounds in business, industry and education. Although there was a State Board of Community and Junior Colleges, each two-year college in Mississippi also had a local board of trustees. These boards provided guidance and oversaw decisions made for each particular college. The SMCC board members came from four county districts, which included Pike, Amite, Walthall, and Wilkinson counties.



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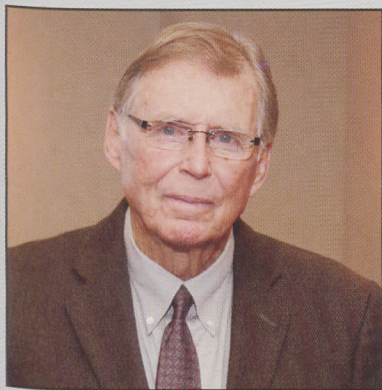
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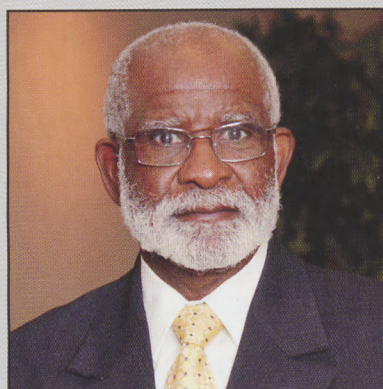
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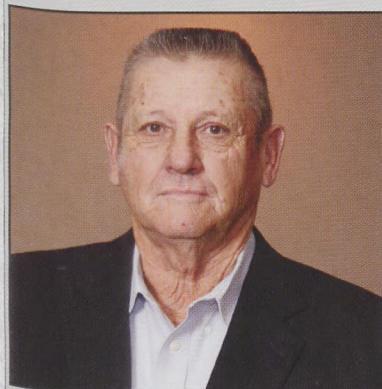
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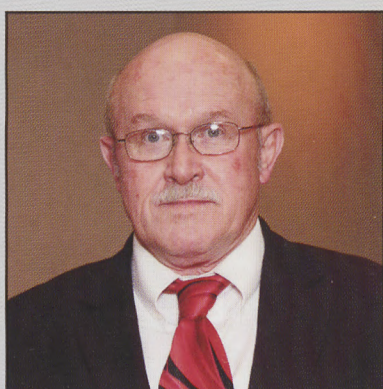
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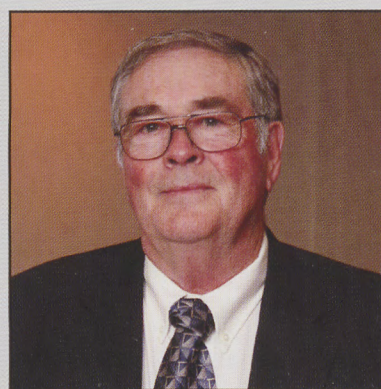
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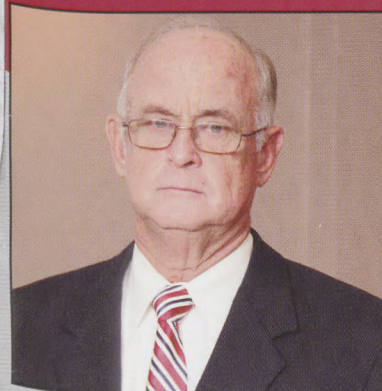
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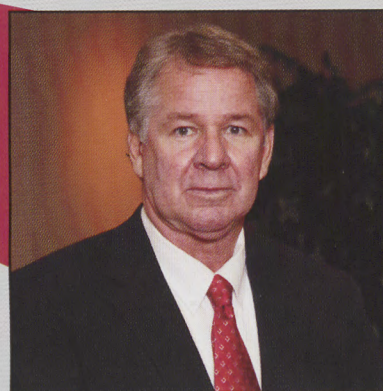
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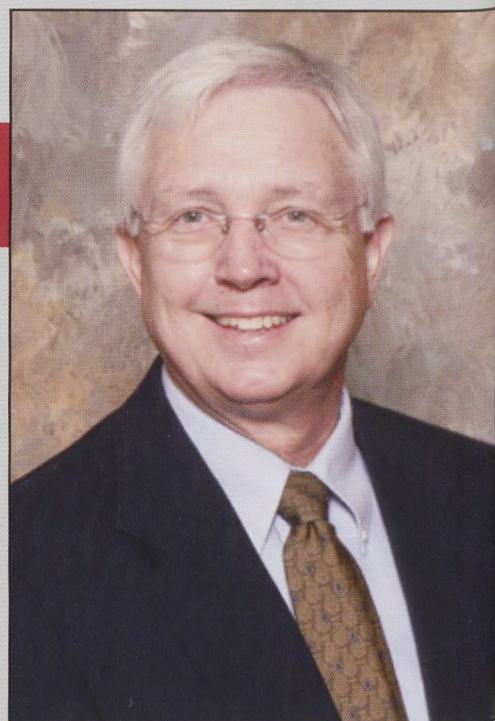
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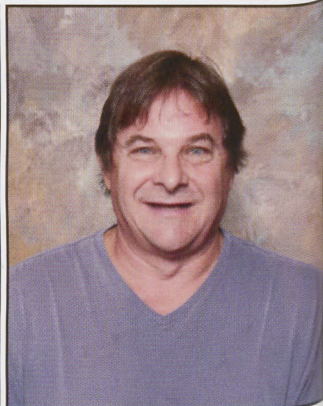
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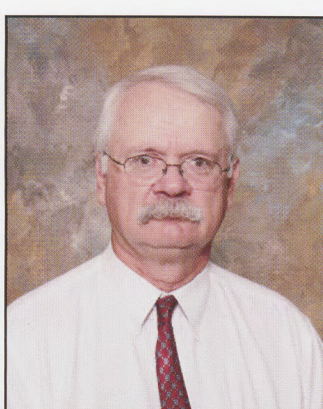
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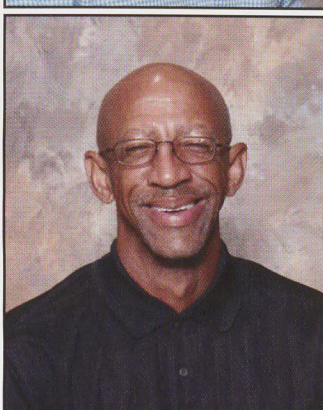
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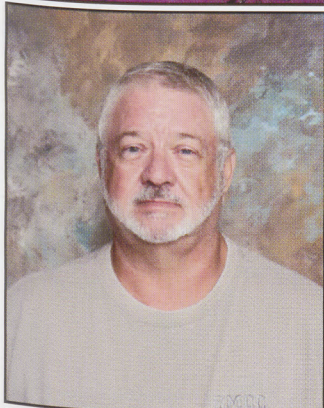
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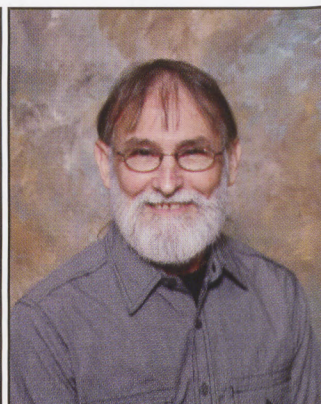
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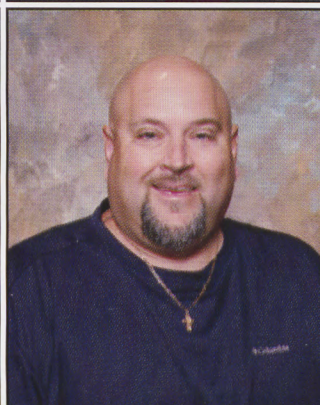
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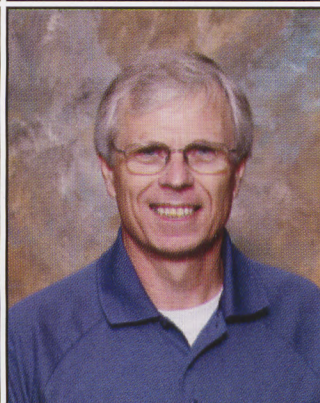
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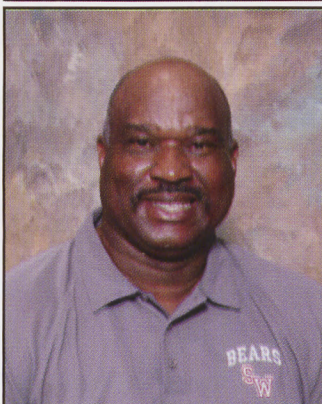
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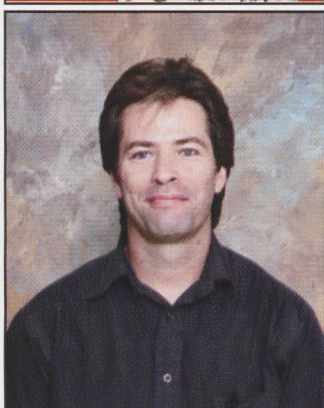
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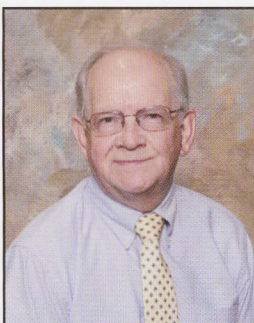
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Office Systems Technology

Patsy Sandifer

Head Softball Coach



Shelia Sandifer-Cook

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Wendy Smith

Personal Development Specialist

Tim Stogner

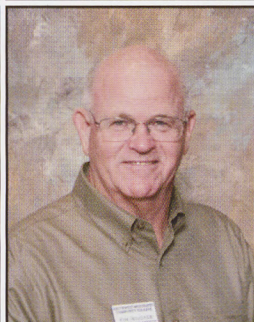
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Karen Stringer

Practical Nursing

Hope Thompson

Reading



Lea Touchstone

Director of Institutional Research

Josh Troxler

Automotive Technology

Mary Tullos

French

Dr. Kimberly Tynes

Business and Office Related

Technology

Brad Van Norman

Electrical Technology



Bill Wallace

Speech, Director of Intramurals

Ashley Weathers

Sociology, Political Science,

Criminal Justice

Dianne Wilkinson

Nursing

Joni Wilkinson

WIA Educational Coordinator

Carolyn Williams

ABE/GED Director



Brenda Wilson

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Shelton Wittington

Stage Band Director

Sissy Wittington

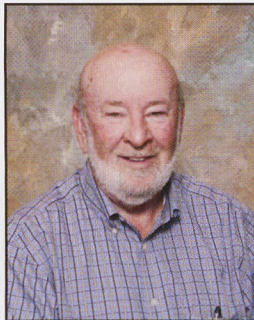
Business/ Economics

Pat Young

Academic Counselor

Shellah Young

Nursing



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Beverly Anthony
Records Analyst
Molly Bass
Staff Accountant
Bridget Burris
Records Analyst, Distance
Learning Test Proctor
Misty Byers
Book Store Assistant
Tammy Cain
Financial Aid Counselor

Subrina Cameron
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Regina Carraway
Custodial
Carl Davis
Chief of Security
Danielle Dunaway
Secretary to Vice-President for
Student Affairs, Financial Aid
Counselor
Paula Fite
Accounts Payable Specialist

Leigh Anne Gibson
Secretary to Vice-President for
Academic Affairs
Michael Gunnell
Sports Information Specialist
Cathy Hastings
Food Service
Debbie Hodges
Career-Technical Secretary
Tammy Jackson
Food Service Director

Milissa Johnson
Secretary to President
Charlotte Malone
Workforce Secretary
Miranda McGehee
Business Office Receptionist,
Assistant Accounts Receivable
Specialist
Jennifer Rawls
Accounts Receivable Specialist
Keith Raybon
Athletic Trainer

Penny Saldana
Associate Degree Nursing
Secretary
Teresa Smith
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Who's Who among students at American universities and colleges



Jessica Agnor



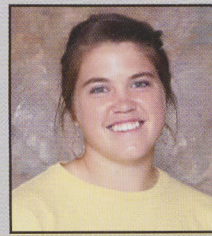
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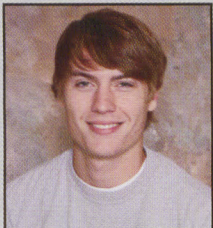
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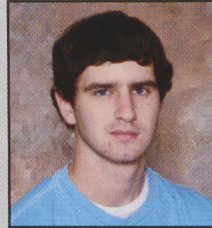
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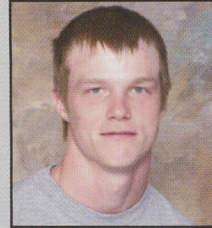
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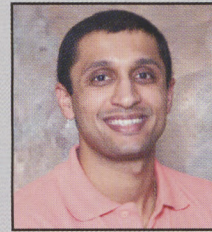
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Jane O'Rourke



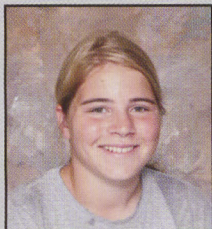
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Rebekah Richard



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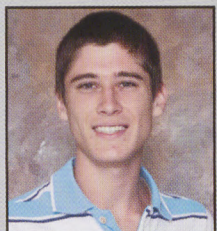
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Courtney Welch



Marilyn Williams



Warren Wood

not pictured: Jenee Berthelot, Andre'el Brown, Rhonda Green, Ashanti Grennwood, LeeAnna Hill, Kaedderick Jackson, Tabitha Lesley, Darse Milholen, Regina Miller, Katerinia Noble, Dwayne Patteson, Kamekia Patterson, Kade Scivicque, Michael Wells, Jr., Lesley Whittington, and Robert Williams

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honorees strive for academic excellence



Danny Esch



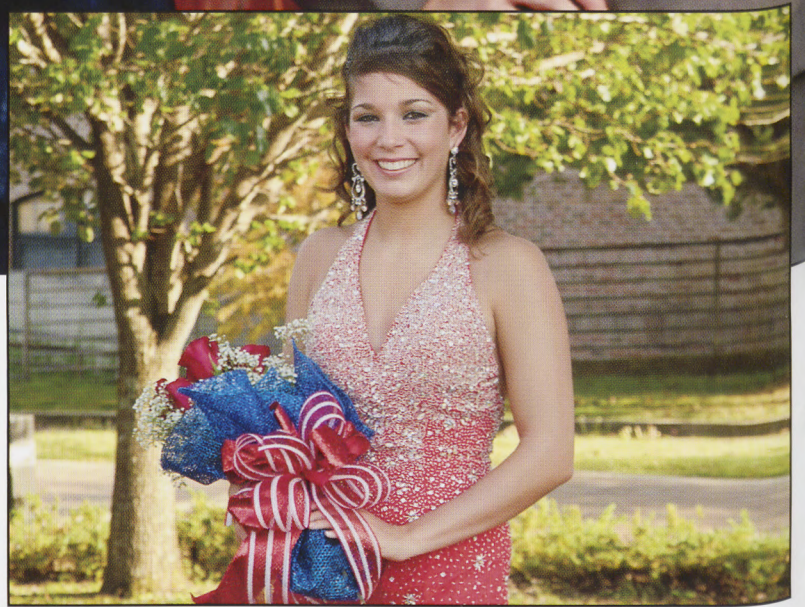
Rebekah Richard

The Annual Higher Education Appreciation Day Working for Academic Excellence or HEADWAE was a program of the Mississippi Legislature, sponsored by the state's corporate community, and coordinated by the Mississippi Association of Colleges. Each year HEADWAE honored an outstanding faculty member and an outstanding student from each participating member institution of Mississippi Association of Colleges. Danny Esch has been a member of the SMCC Diesel Equipment Technology program as an instructor for thirty-four years. Esch began Southwest's Diesel Equipment Technology program in August, 1979. He is a graduate of Southwest Mississippi Community College and has his Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) certification in heavy trucks. Esch is a 32nd Degree Mason and has worked in public office as a selectman for the City of McComb serving five terms. He is a deacon at East Fork Baptist church in Kentwood, LA. Danny is married to Anita Esch, and they have two children, Steven Esch and Amy Cooley and three grandchildren, Savannah, Parker, and Lauren.

Rebekah Joy Richard is the daughter of Jeff and Suzanne Rametta. Rebekah loves spending time at the river with friends, playing volleyball on the beach with friends, playing basketball and listening to music. Rebekah is a graduate of St. Martin High School where she was a Lady Yellow Jacket Basketball team member. She won the offensive player of the year award for Basketball and Slow-pitch. Rebekah was also the Sun Harold Player of the week, a yellow jacket award recipient and a MS Scholar. Rebekah had outstanding achievements in English, Geometry, and Desktop Publishing. At Southwest, Rebekah is a member of Bear Trackers, Hall of Fame and Lady Bears Basketball. She was the Freshman Class Treasurer and the SGA Campus Vice-President. Rebekah was elected campus favorite on the 2012 Homecoming Court. She attended APEX Leadership Conference at Ole Miss and received a \$250 scholarship to Ole Miss. Rebekah is also a HEADWAE Student Honoree. Rebekah is currently taking general courses and plans to further her education at University of Southern Mississippi.

“

I am extremely honored to be recognized into Headwae. I feel as if all of my hard work and dedication towards my school work and sports has paid off, and people are recognizing it as well. I am ecstatic to be known as Southwest's most outstanding student this year.” -Rebekah Richard





hall of fame

faculty recognizes campus leaders

Jessica Agnor, Sarah Fitzgerald, Richard Hodges, and Rebekah Richard were selected to the Hall of Fame. All students were active on campus. As a freshman, Jessica was a pianist and a dancer for the stage band and a vocalist for the choir. As a sophomore, Jessica was the captain of the cheer squad. Sarah was a member of Phi Theta Kappa, BSU leadership team, and steel pans as a sophomore. Richard was a member of the Young Republicans and FEA. As a sophomore, Richard was class president and president of the Bear Trackers. Richard was elected Sophomore Class Favorite and beau. Rebekah was a member of Bear Trackers, Hall of Fame, and Lady Bears Basketball. As a freshman at Southwest, Rebekah was the Freshman Class Treasurer and the SGA Campus Vice-President. Rebekah was also elected campus favorite and was the HEADWAE Student Honoree.

top: Jessica Agnor, Rebekah Richard, Sarah Fitzgerald, and Richard Hodges pose on bridge; left: Jessica Agnor cheers at football game; top: Rebekah Richard prepares for Homecoming; Richard Hodges poses for Who's Who picture; Sarah Fitzgerald bowls with BSU.

A full-page photograph of a young man with short brown hair and blue eyes, smiling at the camera. He is wearing a dark navy blue suit jacket with two gold buttons, a white dress shirt, and a light green tie with thin blue diagonal stripes. He is also wearing a brown leather belt and light-colored trousers. He stands outdoors with a body of water to his right and a grassy area with trees in the background. The text 'mr. smcc josh king' is overlaid in white in the bottom left corner.

mr. smcc
josh king



**miss smcc
teneeya naylor**



smcc crowns teneeya naylor

twenty-two girls compete in parade of beauties

Friends and family packed the Hurst Auditorium the night of the Parade of Beauties.

The night kicked off with Joe Elliott and Amy Gazzo opening the event. After judges were announced and everyone was seated, the pageant began. Twenty-two girls competed for the title of "Most Beautiful." Even though every girl on stage looked dazzling, only one would win.

After the first round, the girls went back stage and waited to hear who made the top ten. During this intermission, the audience was entertained by Sierra Stafford and Tate Allen who performed two powerhouse songs. Finally, after much anticipation, the top ten were announced and the next round proceeded. After the girls walked around stage a second time, they once again returned back stage. Entertaining the crowd once more, Sierra and Tate sang their hearts out again.

Contestants had to wait just a little longer while Mr. and Miss SMCC, class favorites, campus favorites, campus beaus, and most handsome were announced. The five campus beauties were Abby Kuyrkendall, Shannon Johnson, Emily Alford, Marissa Jenkins, and Katie Paulk. Last but certainly not least, Teneeya Naylor was selected "Most Beautiful." The night was full of anticipation and suspense; however, the judges and contestants were satisfied with the results and proud of their beautiful students.

by Brooke Cartwright

“

It was an awesome
experience to be
crowned Most
Beautiful,”

- Teneeya Naylor

below: Top five beauties are Emily Alford, Abby Kuyrkendall, Teneeya Naylor, Most Beautiful; Katie Paulk, Marissa Jenkins, and Shannon Johnson.

opposite page: Teneeya Naylor, Most Beautiful, smiles for fans.



Campus Favorites



Kirkland Ford

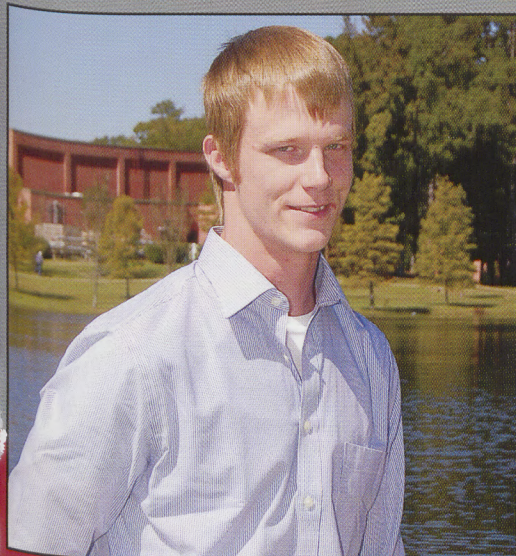


Shayanna Mikell

most handsome and breaus



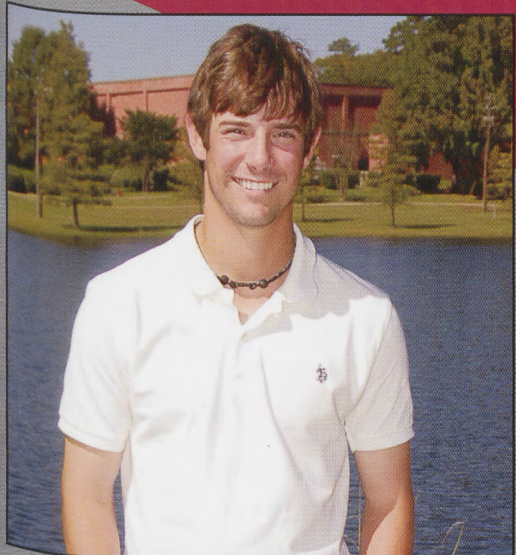
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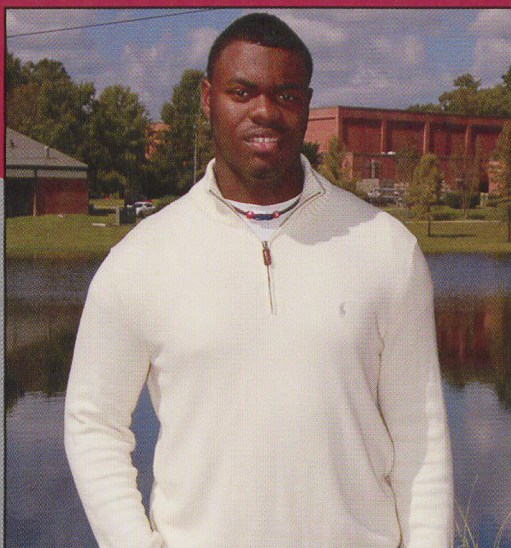
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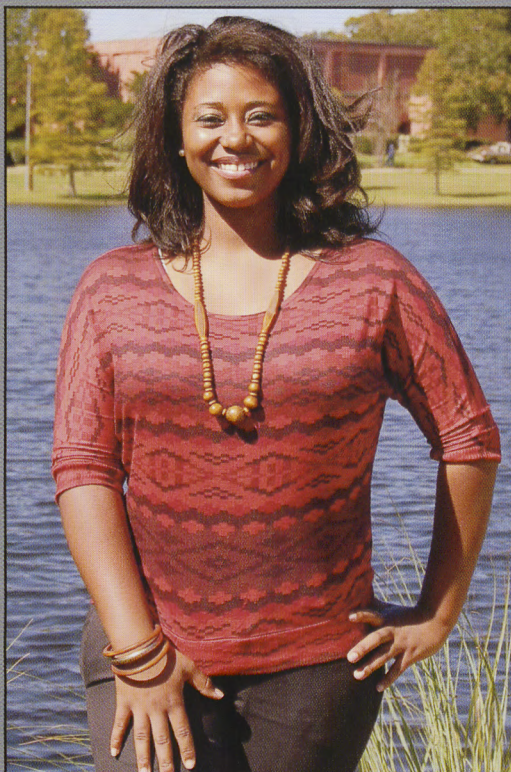


Richard Hodges

Freshman Favorites



Tikeitha Andrews



Alaina Deer



Hannah Monroe



Dakota Delozier



David Ivy



Edward Miller

sophomore favorites



Latesha Barnes



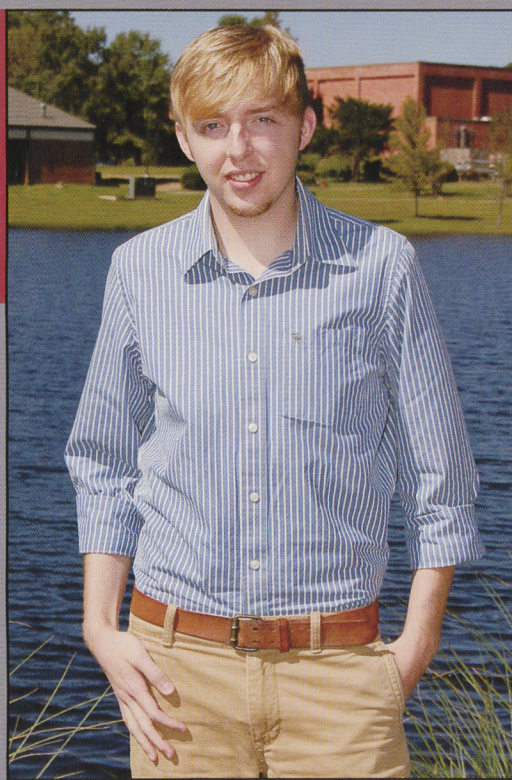
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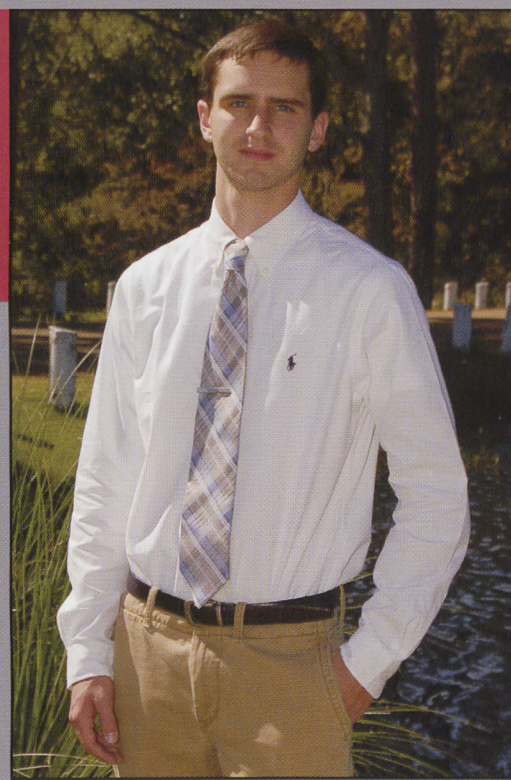
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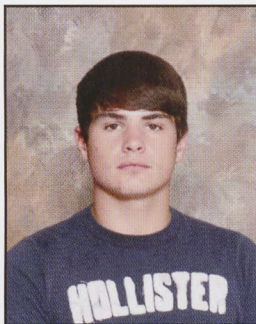
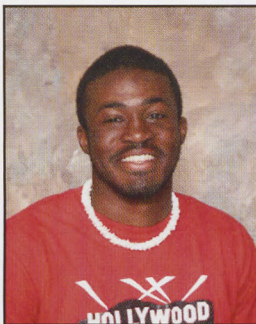


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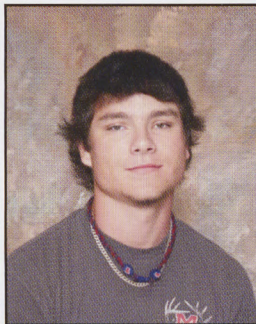


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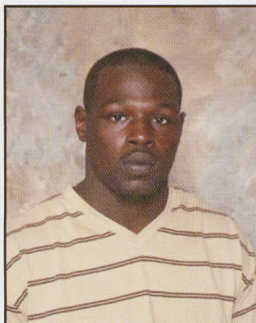
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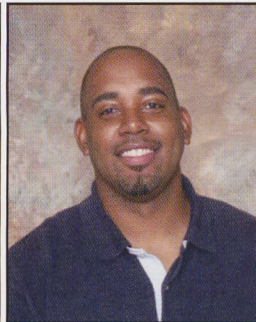
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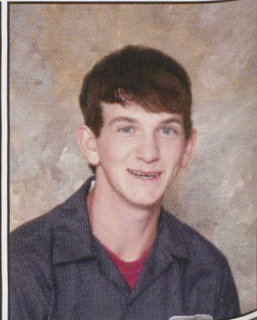
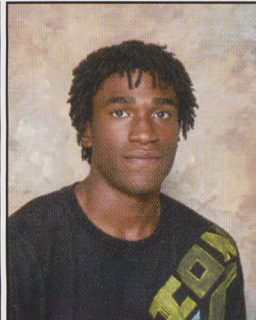
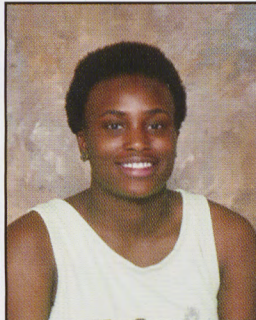
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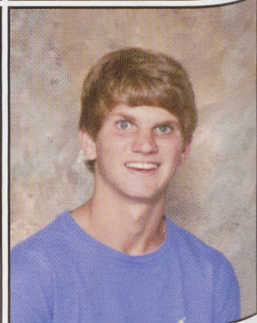
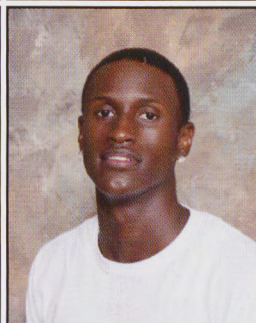
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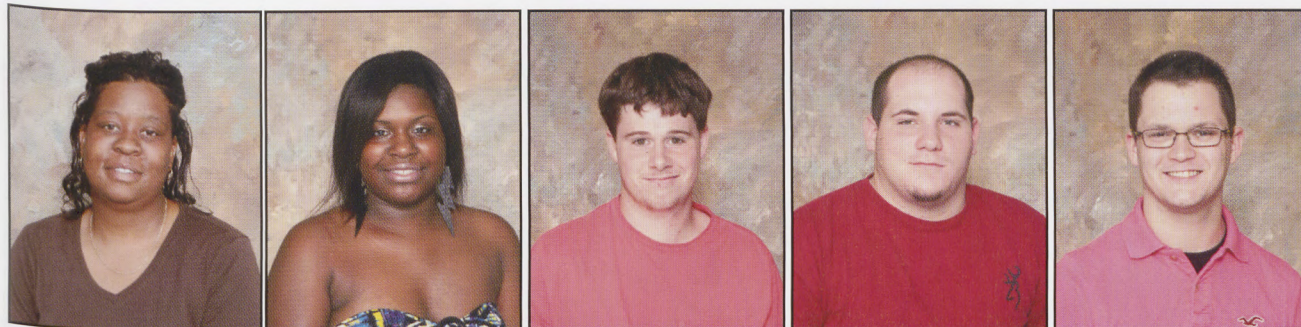


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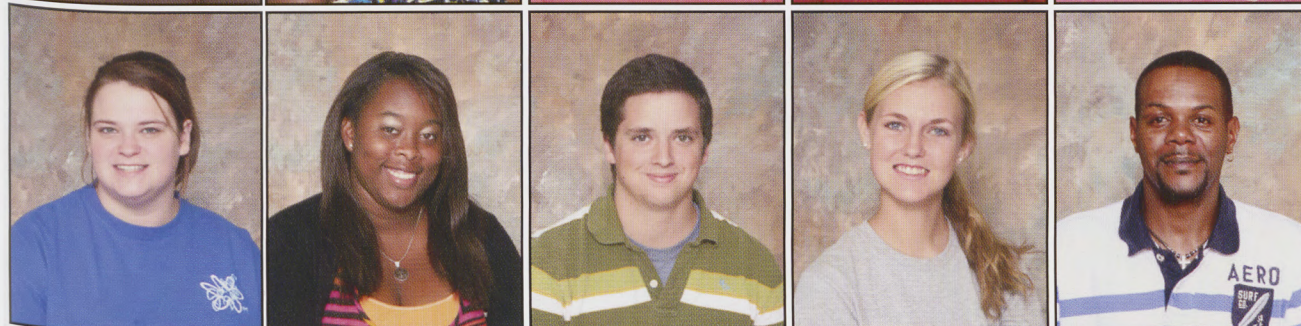


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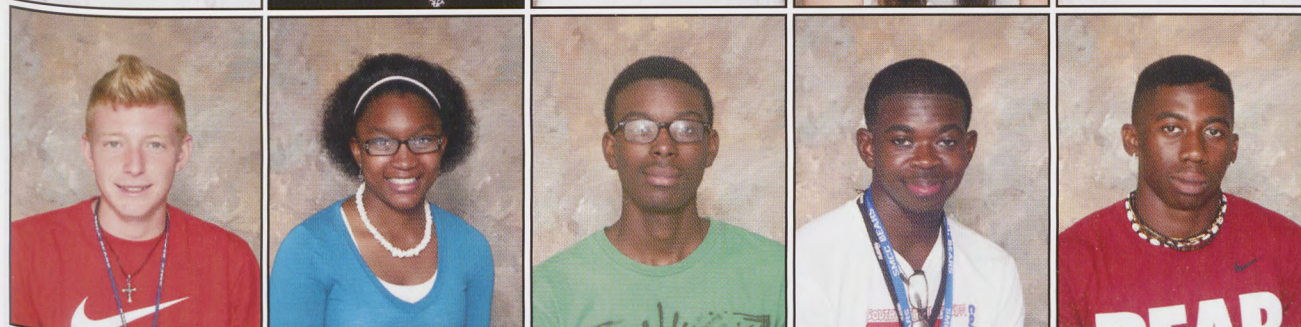
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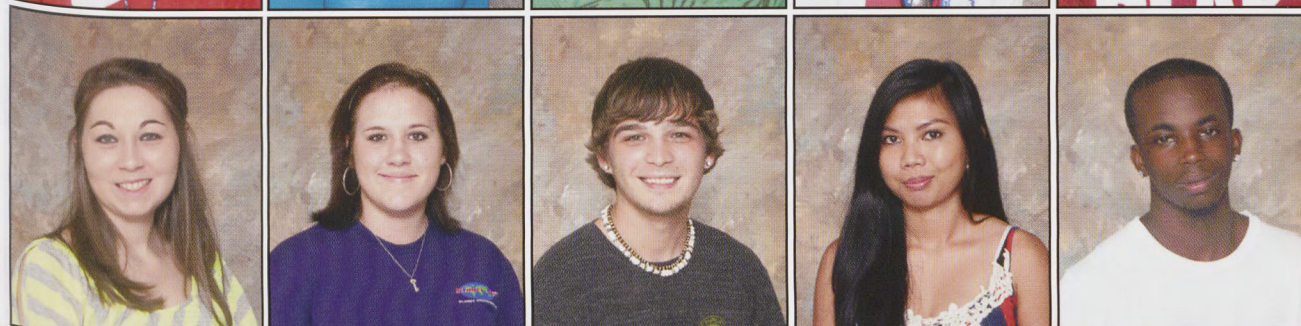
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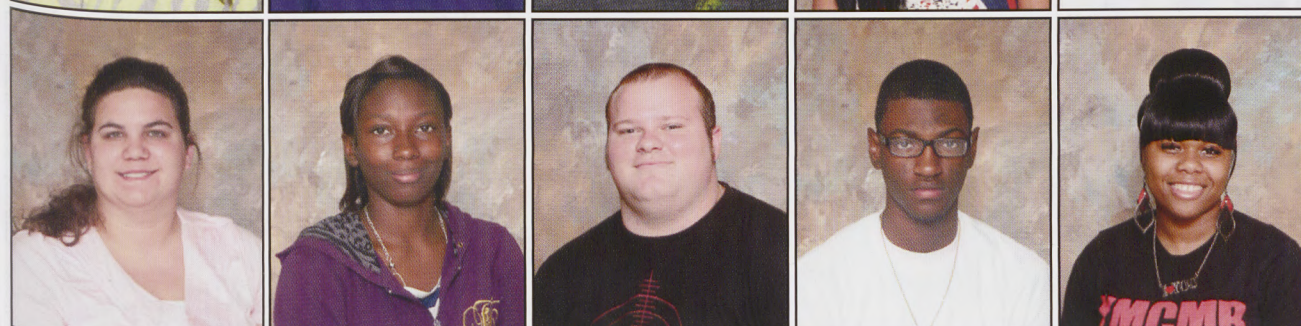
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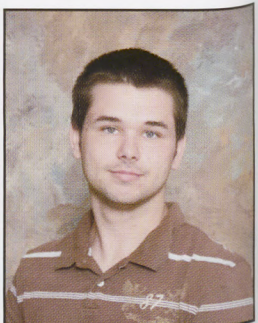
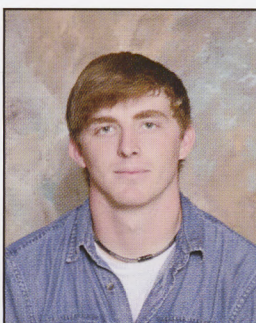
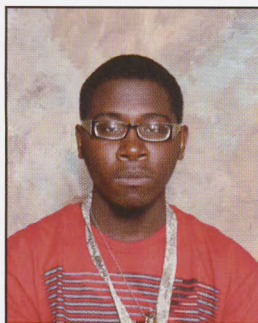


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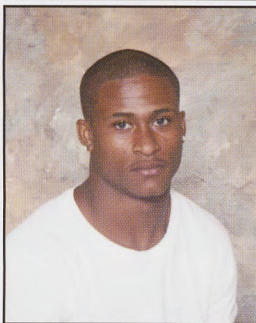
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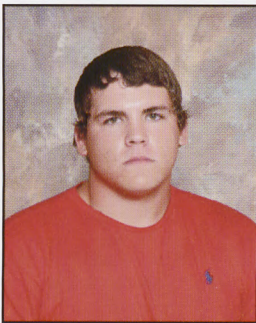
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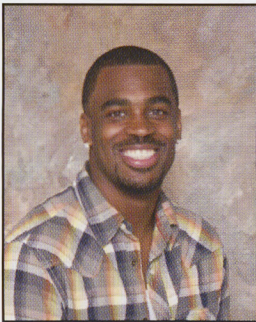
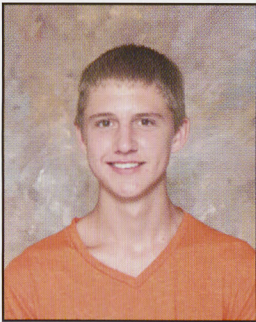
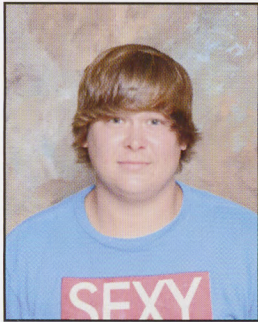
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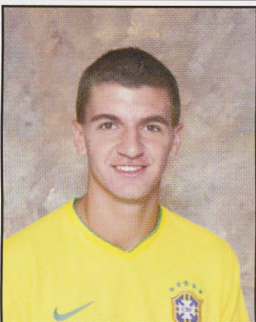
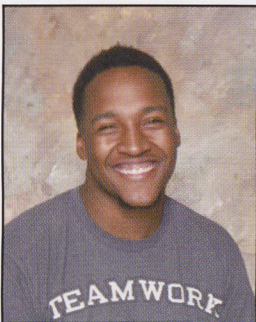
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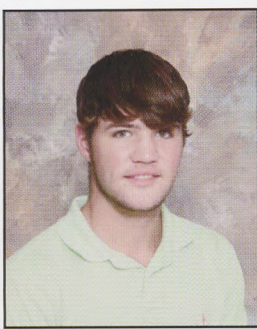


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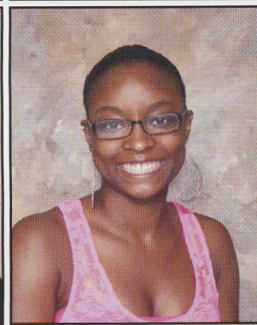
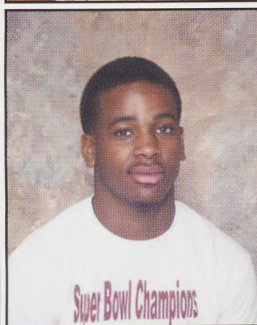




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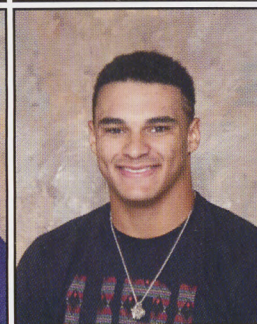
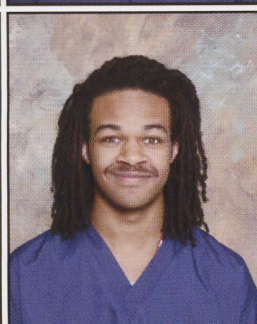
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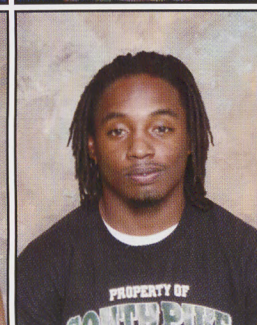
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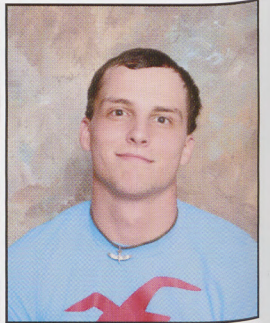
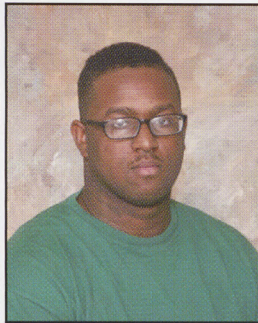
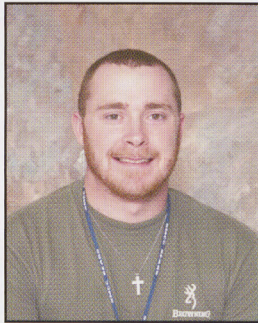
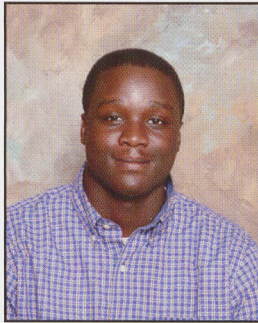


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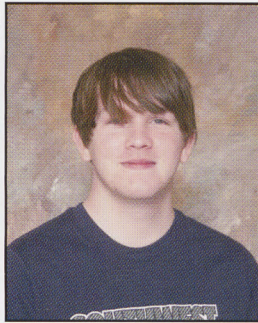
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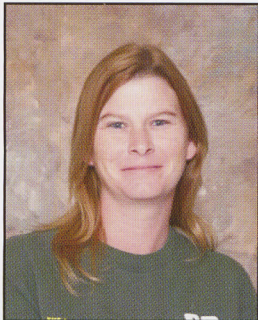
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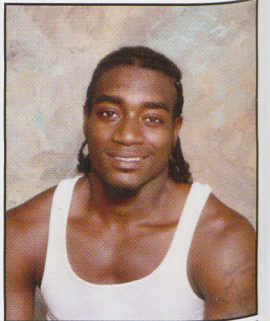
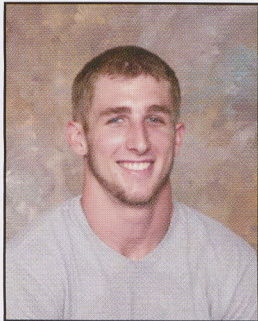
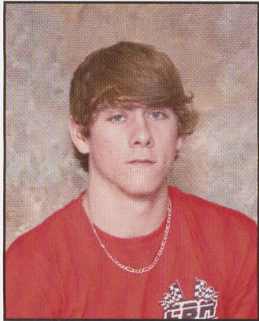
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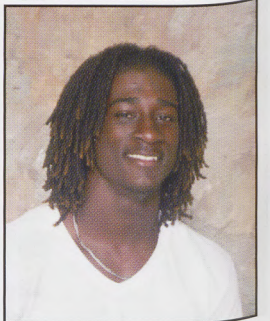
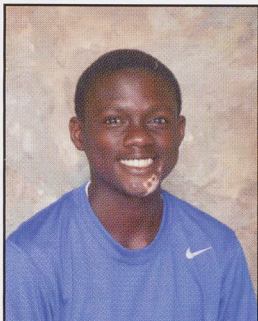
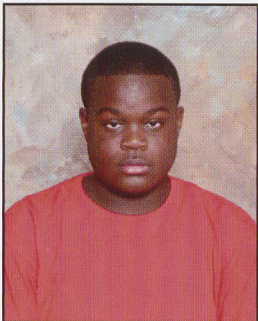
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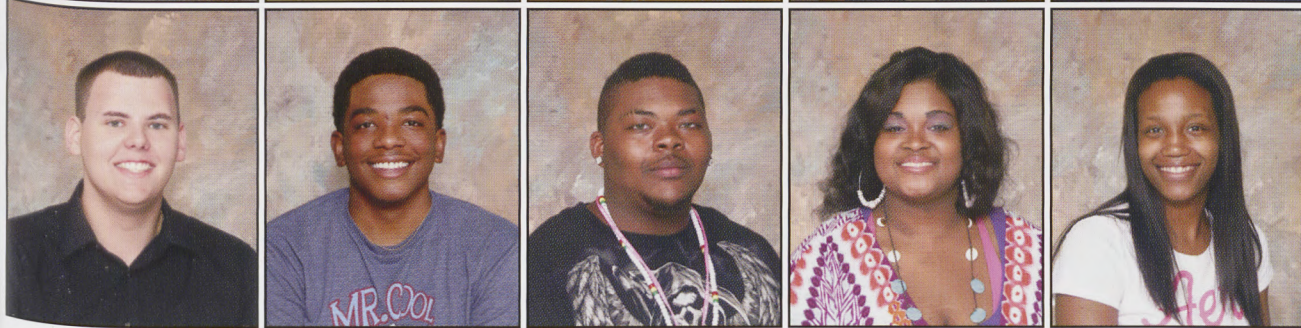
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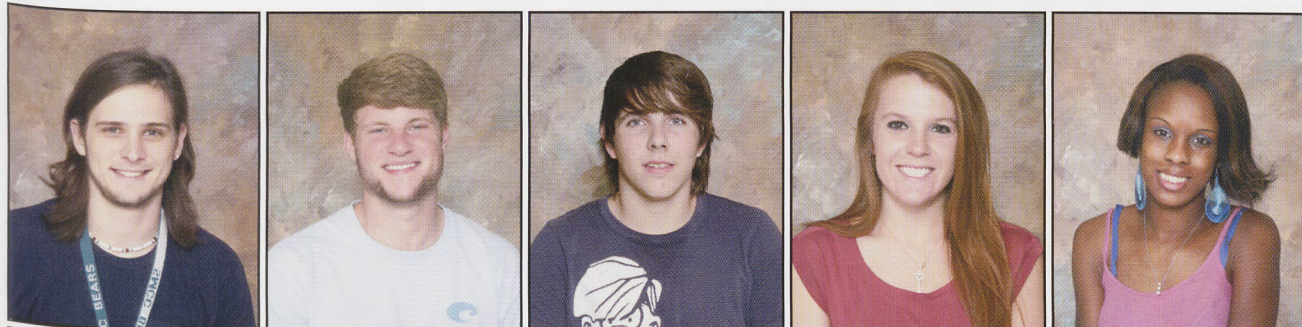
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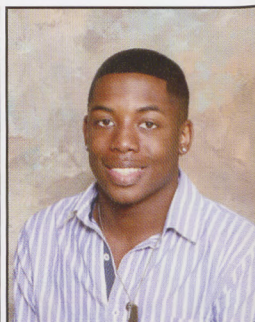


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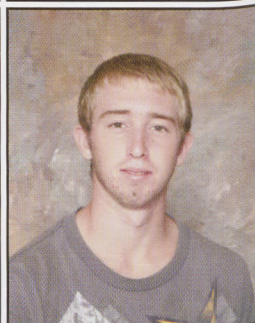


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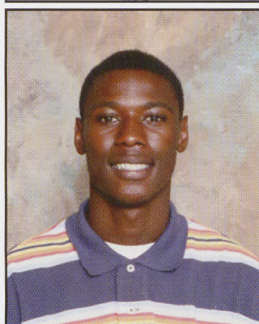
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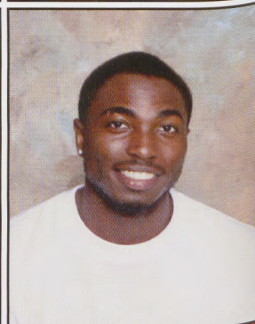
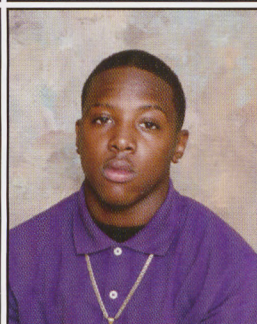
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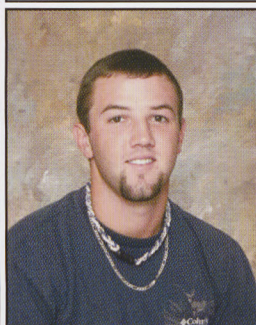
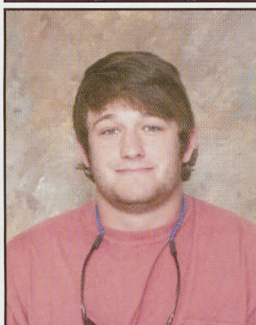
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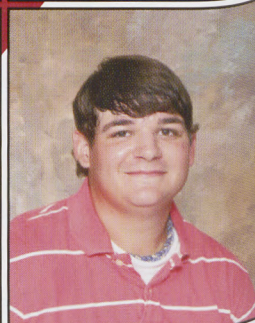
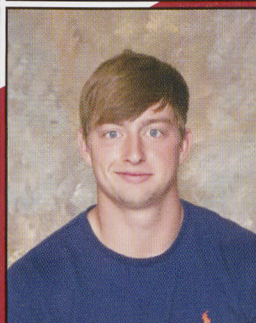
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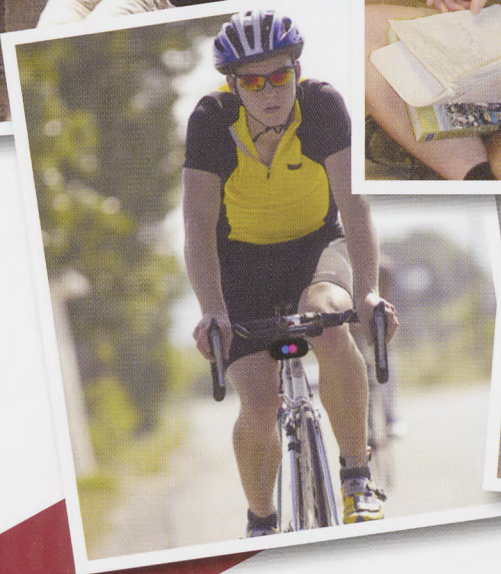


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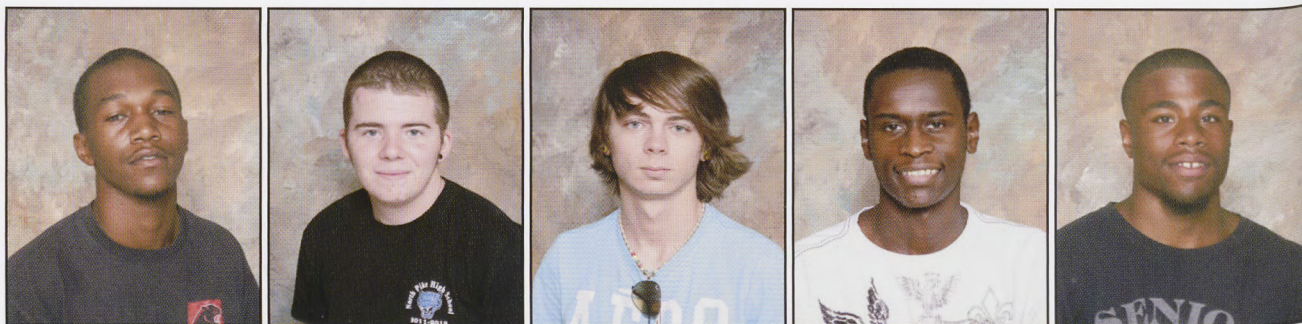
John Martin Tucker was a nineteen-year-old student who made his way all the way from Romania to Summit, Mississippi, on May 23, 2012. John was born, not in Romania, but in Brussels, Belgium. His family later moved to Romania where he spent the majority of his life. His parents became missionaries before he was born. He moved to the states because his parents wanted him to have an American education. John began attending SMCC in the fall semester of 2012. While majoring in forestry, John Tucker had no plans for after graduating.

While in Romania, John enjoyed swimming, biking, hiking, and rock climbing. As much as John loved his home, he said there are many differences between Romania and the United States. To name a few, the vehicles are much larger here in the United States. In addition, houses are not built as sturdy. The culture, however, is one of the biggest differences. He says that even people's faces are different in appearance. People in the United States are much more relaxed than they were in Romania.

Even though John and his family were living in Cluj-Napoca, Romania, he had the opportunity to visit many other countries and cultures. Besides being born in Belgium, John visited Germany as a child. Other places he has visited include Hungary and France. Croatia, he said, was very beautiful.

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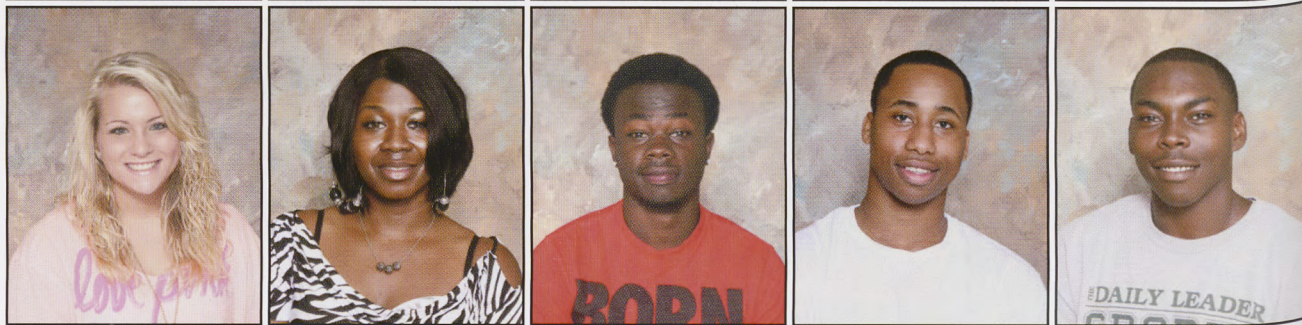
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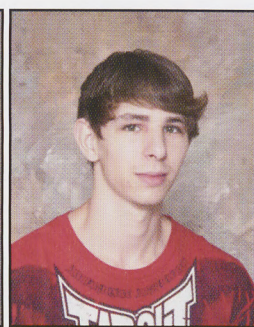


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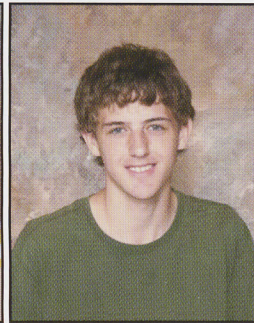


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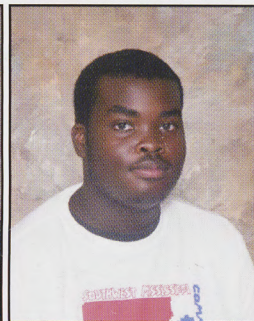
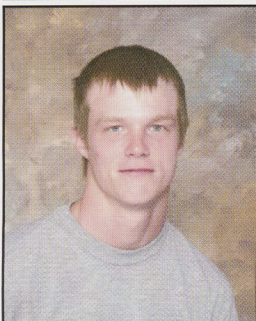
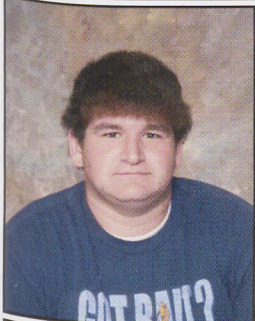
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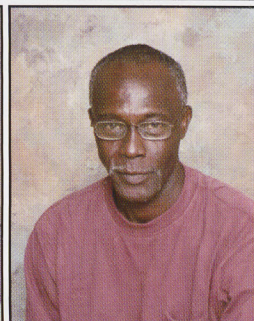
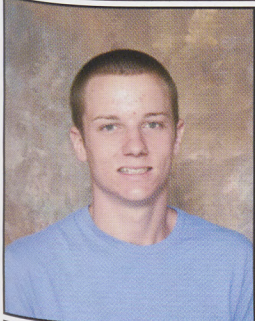
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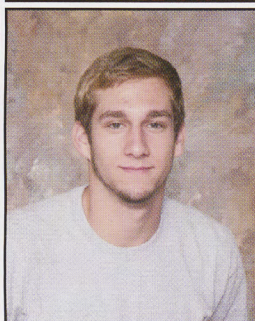
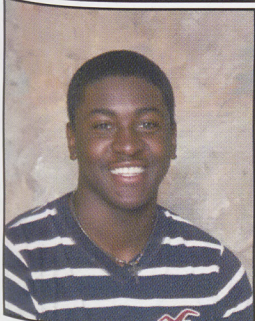
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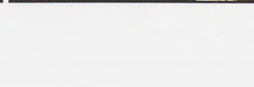
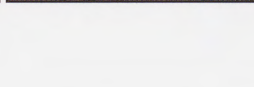
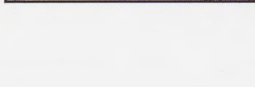
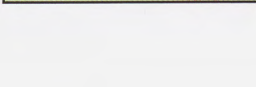
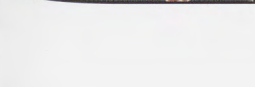
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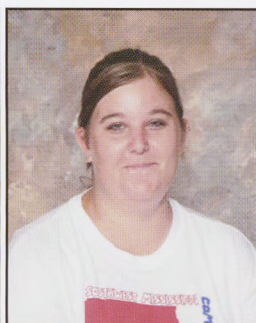
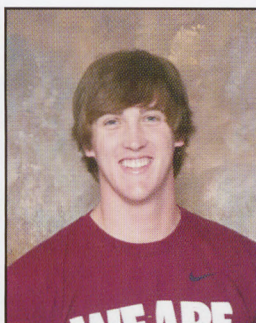
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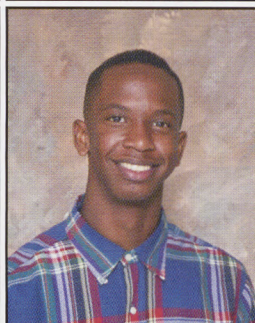
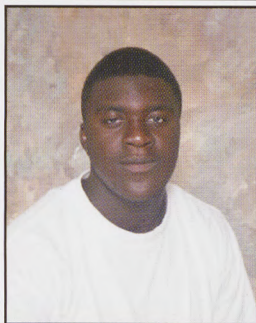
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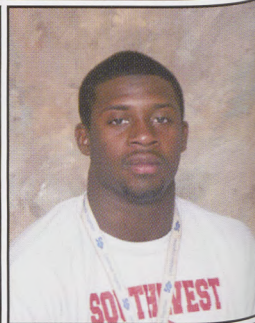
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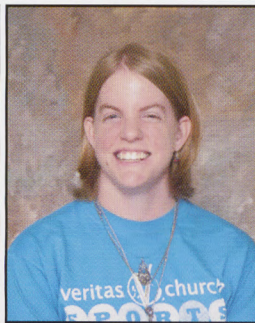
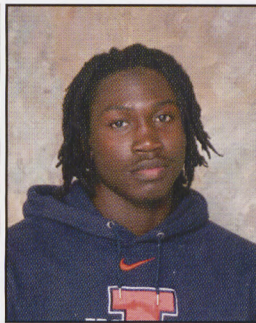
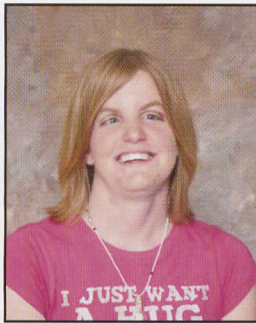
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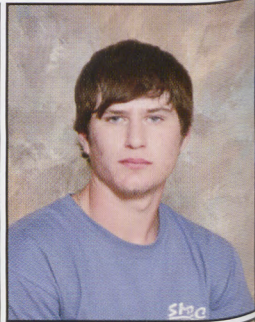
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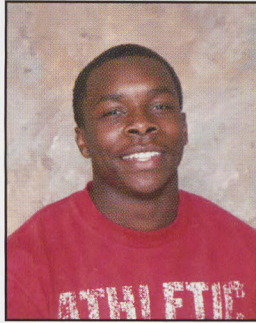
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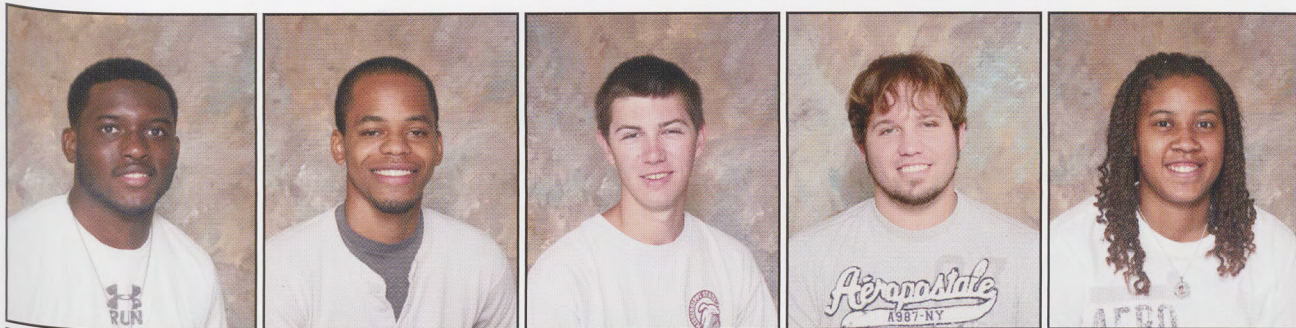


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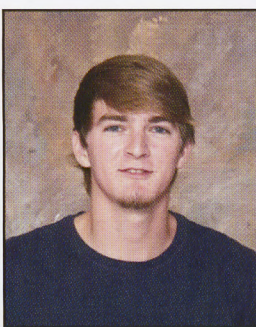
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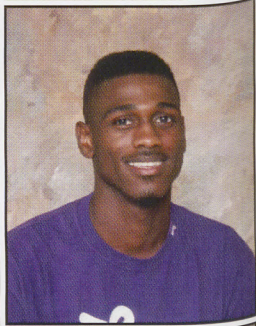
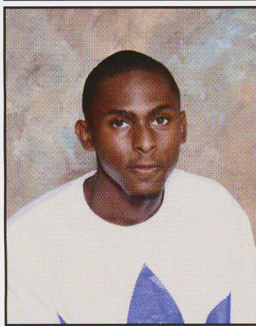
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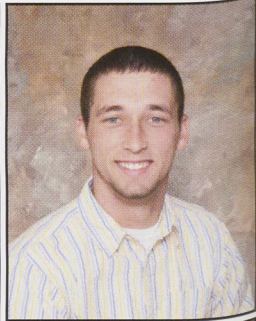
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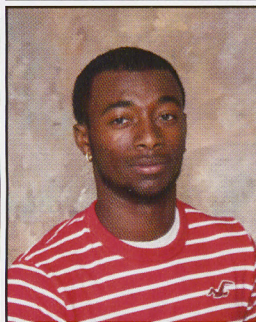
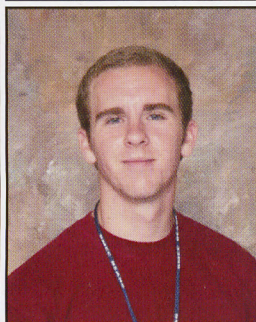
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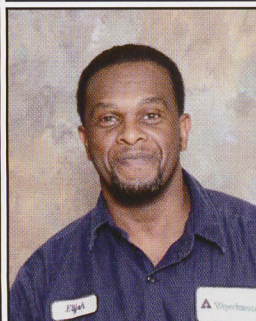
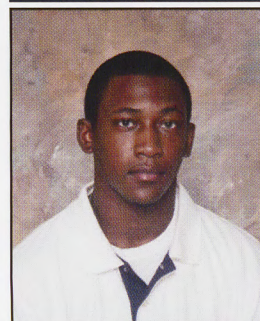
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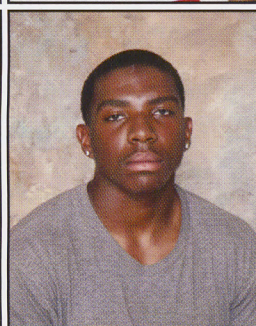
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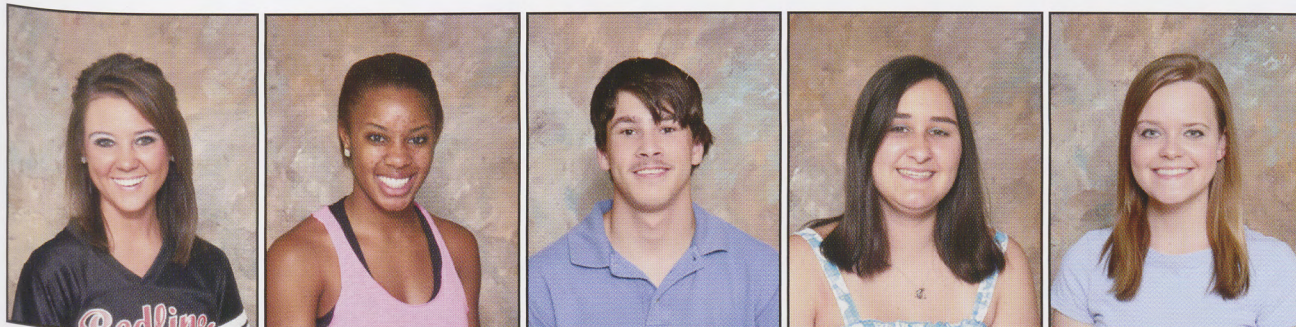


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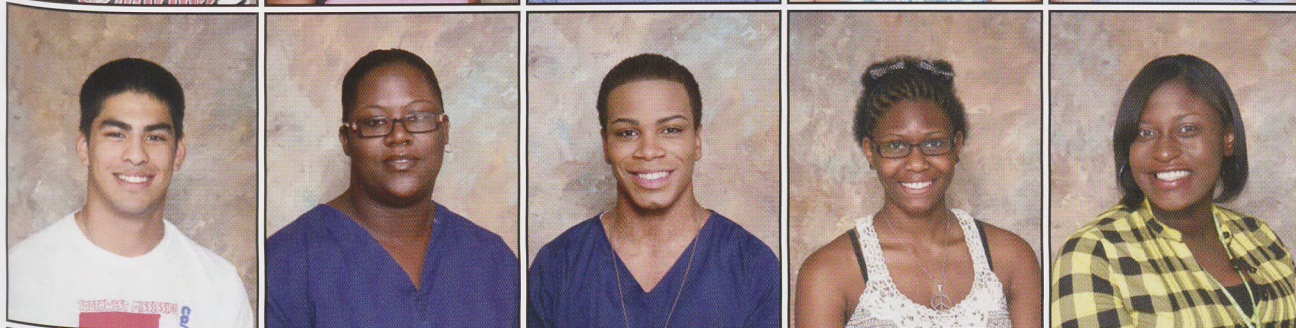


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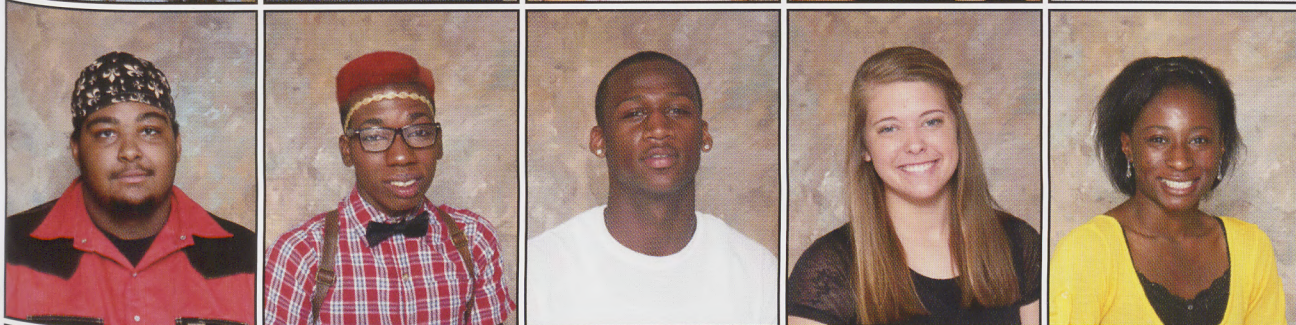
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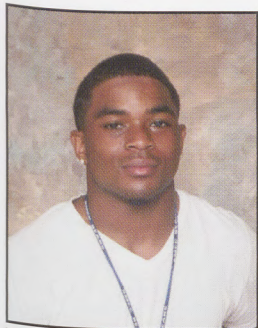
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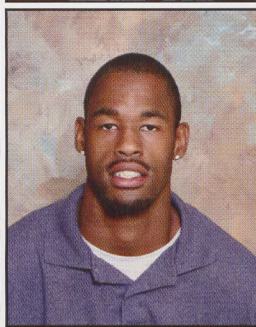
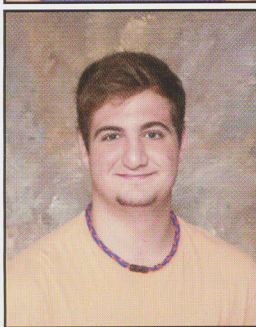
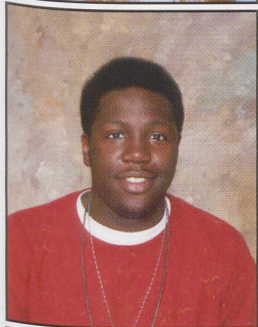




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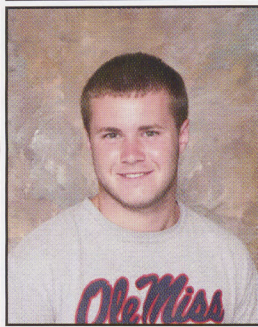
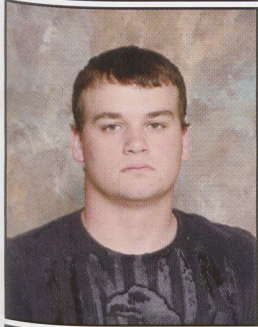
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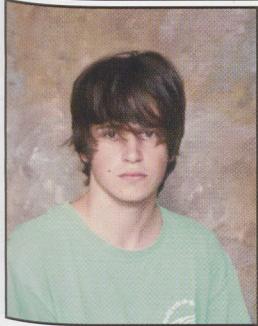
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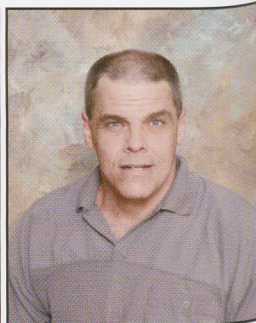


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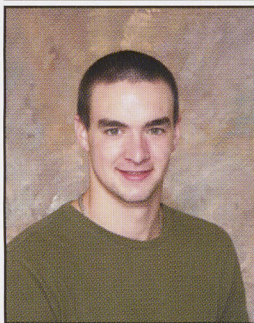


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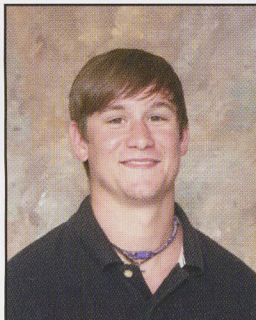
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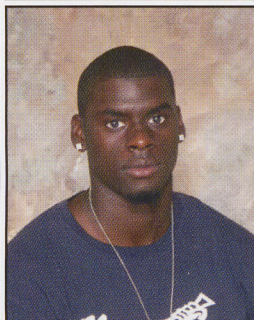
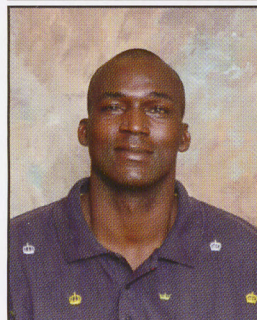
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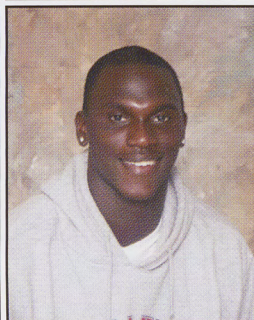
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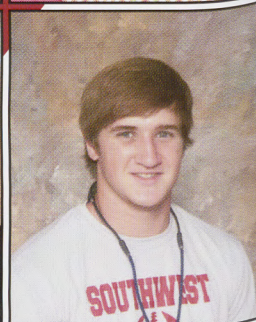
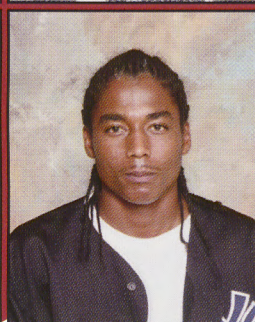
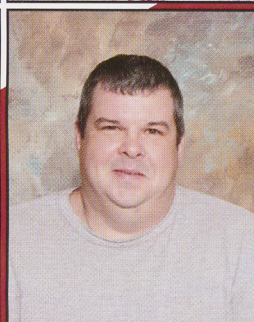
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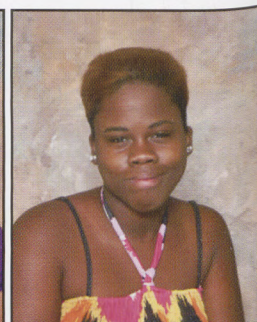
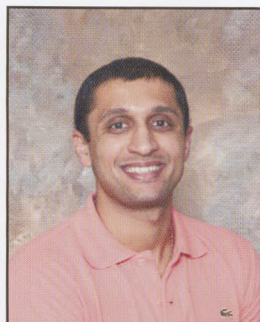
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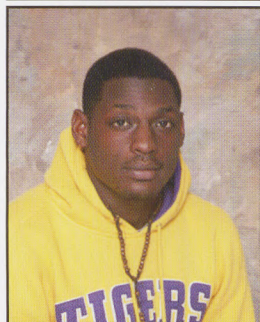
For Mary Porter, a 77-year-old woman, completing coursework toward a degree was her main goal. She said, "To earn a degree was a dream come true for me. After my mother passed in 2000, and my husband passed in 2005, I was looking for something to do. I had promised myself I would finish college and get a degree." Working toward her goal since 2009, Mary earned her associate of applied science degree in computer networking in December 2012. To earn that degree she had to drive a 100-mile round-trip daily during her first two semesters and arrive in time for her 8:00 a.m. class. She said, "I'm just grateful I was able to make the trip with no accidents and health problems. God was good to me. There were times when it was pouring rain before I left the house. I would say a prayer backing down the driveway and the rain would stop, but when I arrived home it would start again." Aside being a graduate of Southwest, Mary Porter was a member of Star Hill CME Church located Gloster, MS. She served as Vice President for The Women Missionary Society, and Secretary of the Trustee Board at her church. She was also a board member for Southwest Mississippi Opportunity Inc. in McComb and part of the SMCC Alumni Association at SMCC. Mary Porter was a 2012 graduate from Southwest Mississippi Community College. She was the first born daughter of the late Rev. Jessie James and Lena Covington Burns in Liberty, MS. Mary Porter graduated from John McDonough Senior High School in New Orleans, LA. She was married to the late Arelious Porter of Gloster and together they had three children. She was also the grandmother of ten children and great grand-mother of two. She lived in Paris, France, for four years with her husband while he served in the military. In 1987, Mary graduated from Delta Business College in Metairie, LA. In the 1970's she took businesses courses at both Tulane University and Delgado Community College in New Orleans, but she never completed the necessary coursework to receive a degree from either. Two of her favorite Biblical verses were "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works, and glorify your father which is in Heaven." Matthew 5:16; "For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth and he that knocketh it shall be opened." Matthew 7:8.

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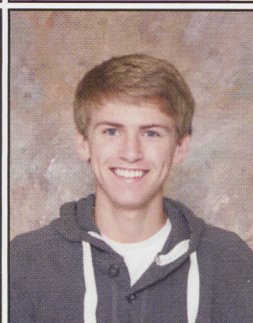
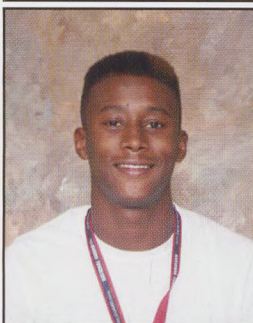
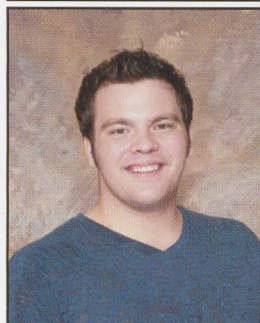
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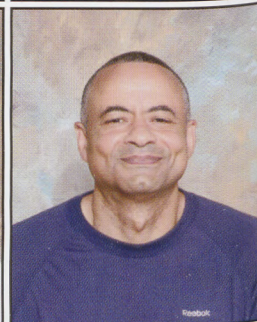
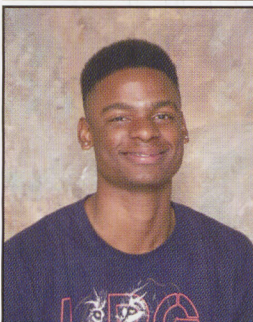
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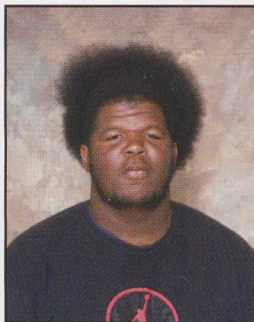
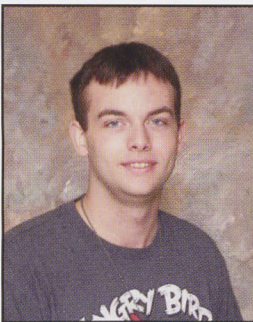
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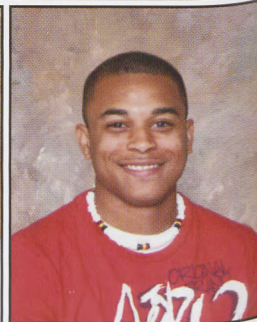
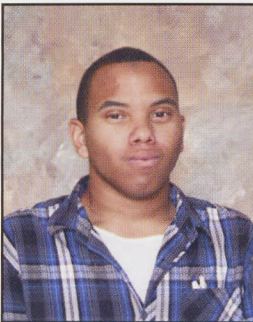
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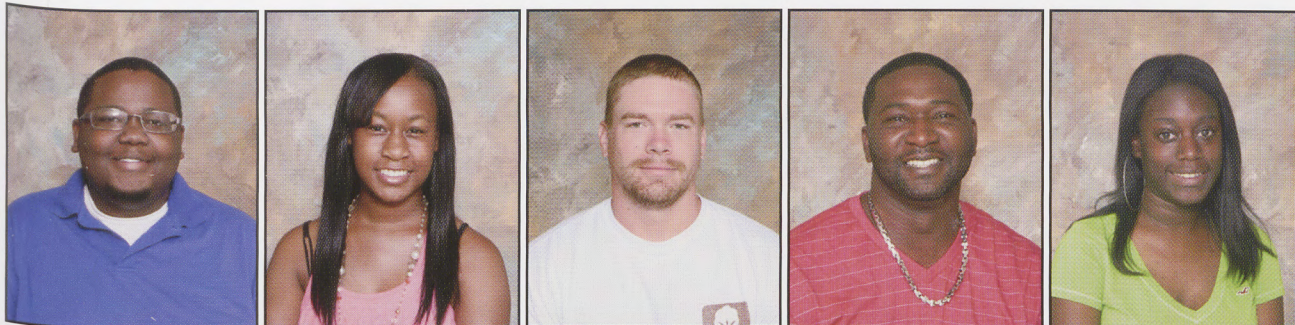


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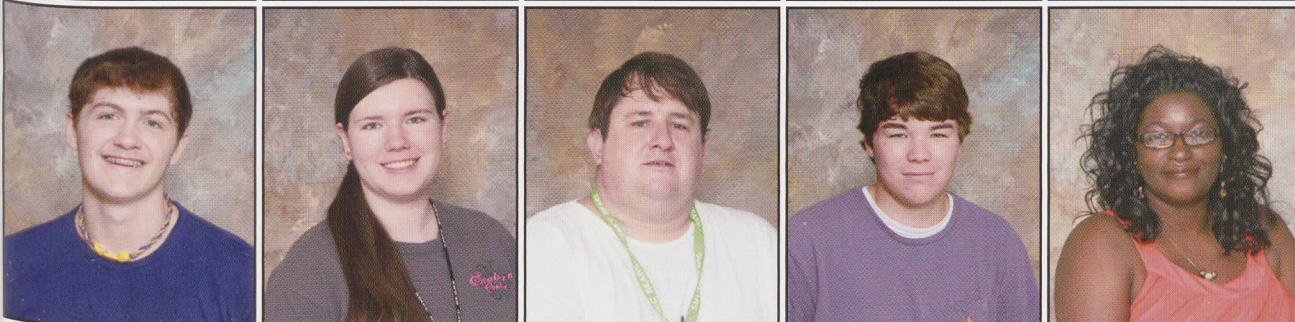
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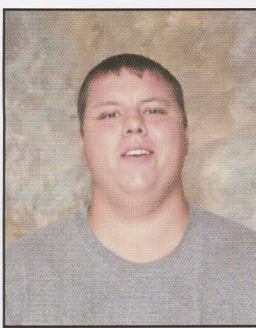
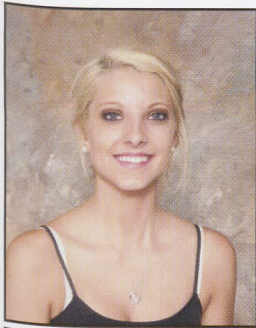
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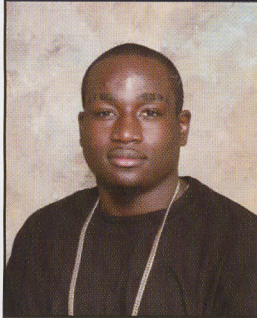
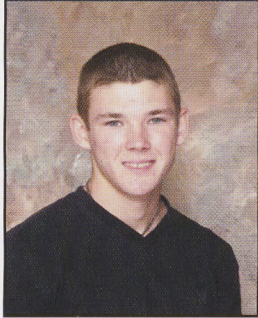
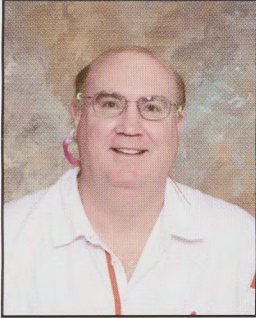




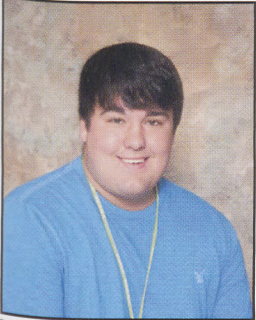
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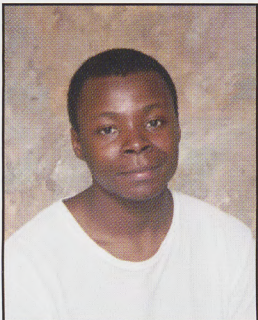
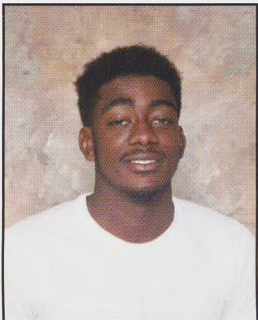
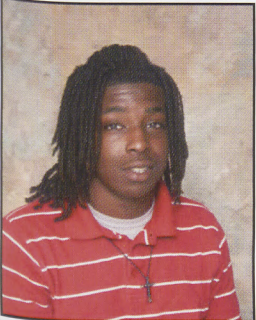
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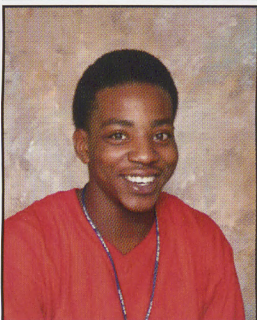
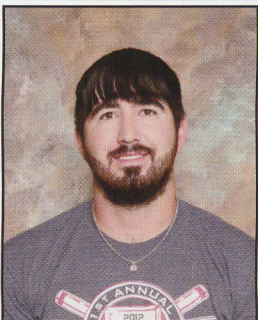
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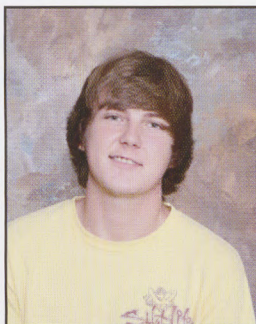


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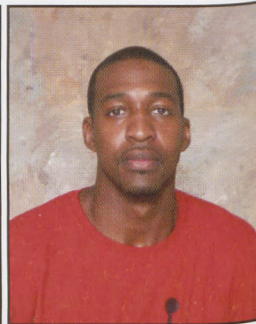
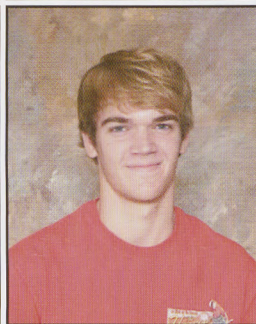
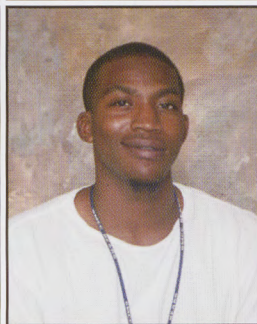
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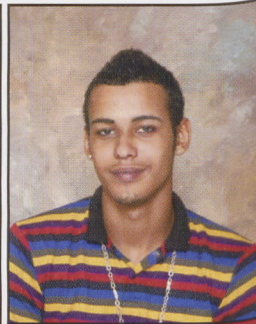
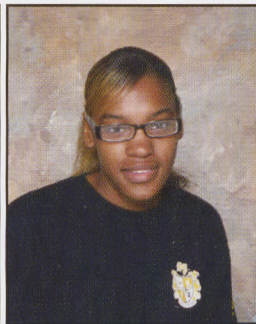
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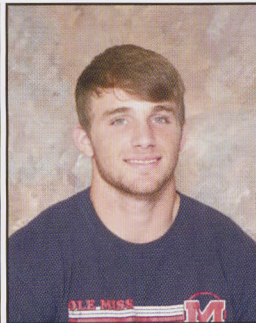
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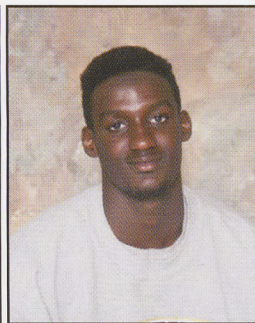
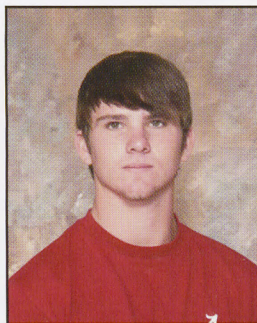
ashlynn caffey

ashlynn overcomes spina bifida

Ashlynn Caffey was a twenty-three-year-old who was born with Spina Bifida. Ashlynn attended Southwest Mississippi Community College in hopes of becoming a counselor, but first she needed to obtain her degree. She attended Petal School District, but they only gave her an occupation diploma instead of a high school diploma. Therefore, she was a GED student at Southwest first. She participated in the Vocational Rehabilitation which assisted her with obtaining her degree after she received her GED. "Ashlynn has shown great diligence while enrolled in our adult education class," said Carolyn Williams. Ashlynn's tenacity is greatly commended. She used a motorized wheelchair for transportation. Ashlynn loves to shop, go out to eat, and attend church. She was a member of Macedonia Baptist Church of Petal. Ashlynn is not only a student, but she also took care of a twelve-year-old friend who had Retts Syndrome. Ashlynn Caffey had a wonderful outlook on life, and she refused to let any obstacles stop her from obtaining her dreams.

by Huda Mohammad

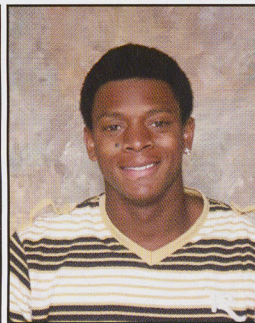
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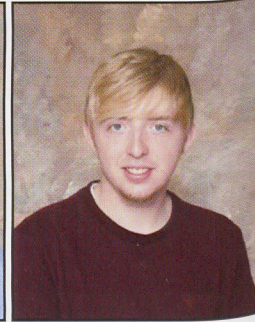
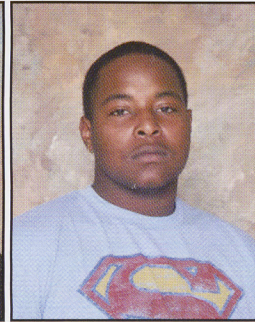
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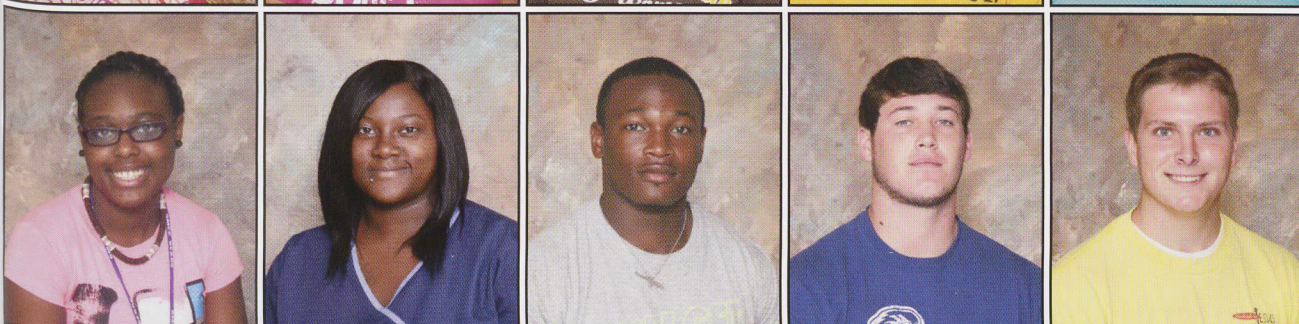
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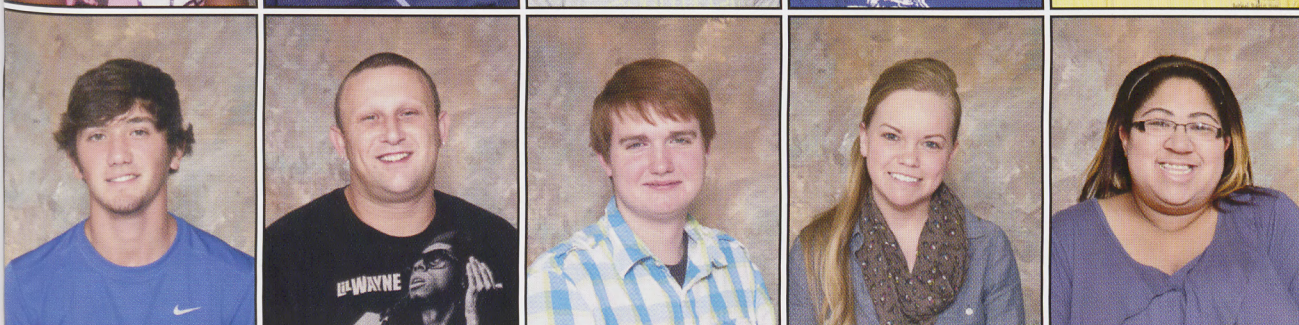
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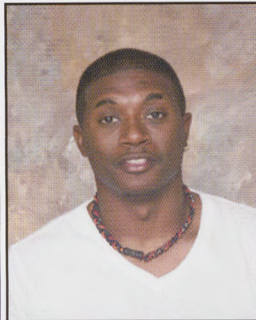


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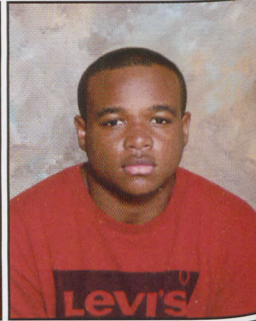
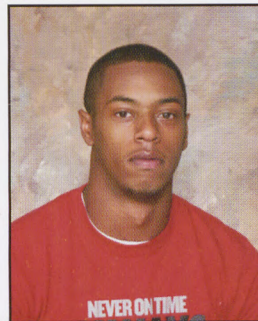
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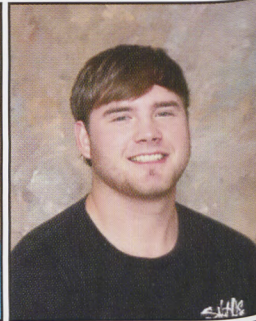
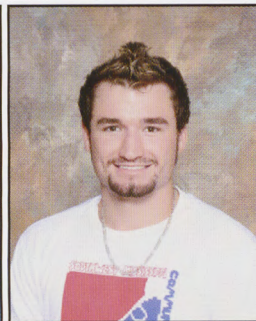
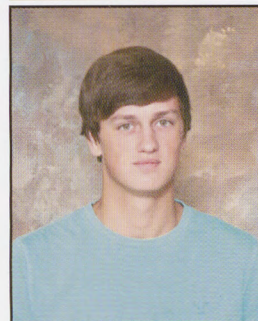
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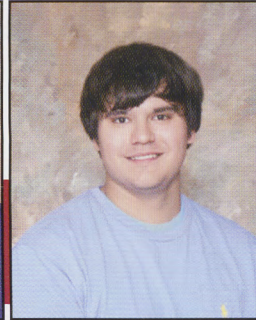
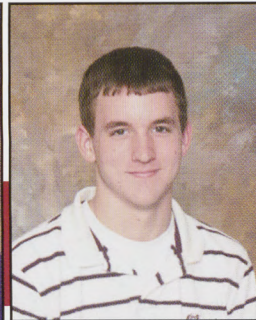
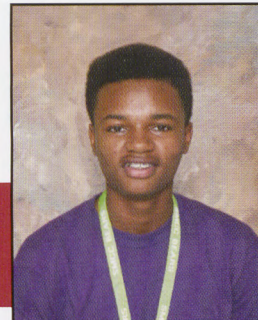
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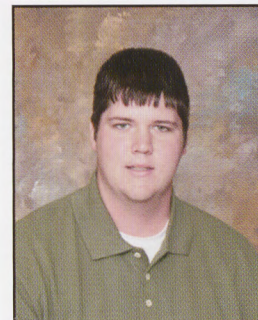
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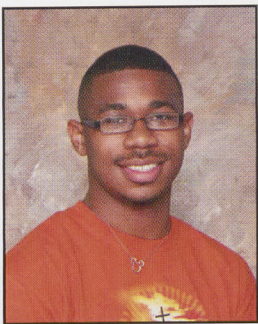


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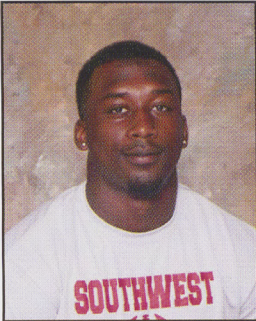


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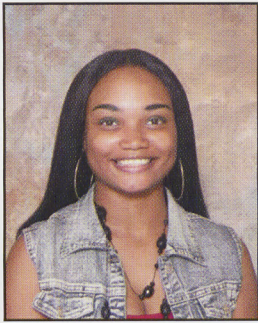
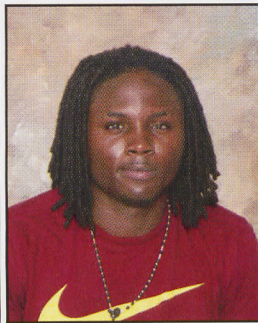




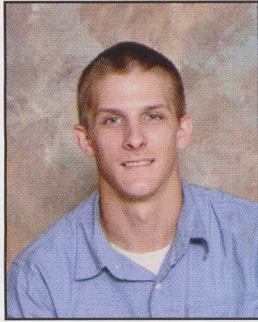
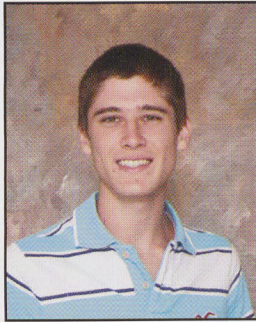
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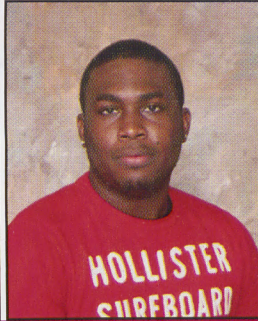
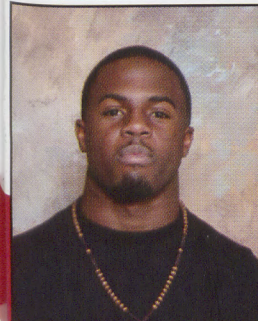
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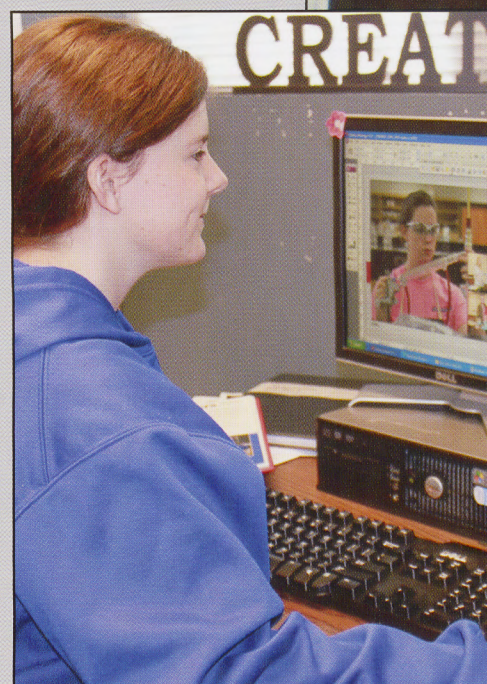
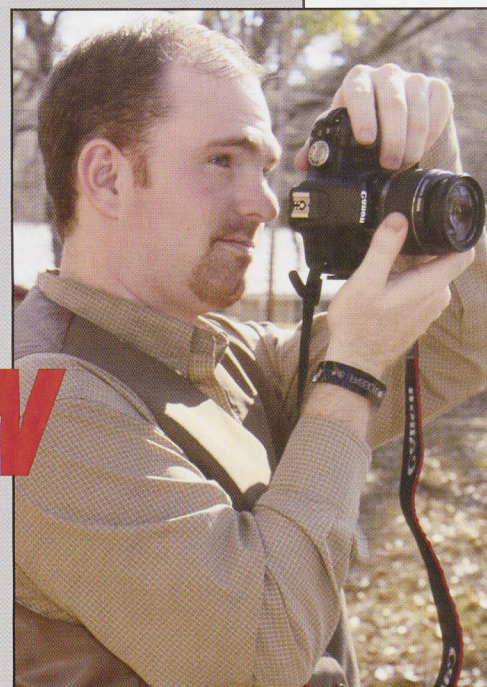
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Yearbook editors stay **IN MOTION**

Inspired to create the best yearbook ever, we decided on the theme of *In Motion* based on the fact that the college is always moving forward, whether through academics or athletics. As editors in creating this book, we strived to document the motions that uniquely represented Southwest. We thank our dedicated staff who worked endless hours with us creating layouts, editing proofs, and composing copy. We have continued to use QR codes in this yearbook and hope you will take the time to enjoy them. To access these codes you will need to download a free QR code reader. Then just scan the code and you are ready to watch. We thank our adviser, Mrs. Joyce Mabry, for her dedication and guidance, because without her this would have been impossible. Many hours of work went into this yearbook, but we had fun along the way especially the great pizza parties and the rewarding Eighth Annual National College Yearbook Workshop that we attended in New Orleans, LA. While there we learned advanced InDesign from Bradley Wilson, a professor from North Carolina State University who has achieved national honors with his yearbooks and literary magazines. Bruno Ruggiero, nationally awarded for his design work at Nicholls State University, taught us about color schemes. Stephen Williams, or "The Cover Artist" as he is known, helped us to design our wonderful cover. Stephen dropped his career as a creative advertising director to design yearbook covers. We thank the administration, Mrs. Joyce Mabry, and Brandy Seawright, Balfour representative, for allowing us to attend.

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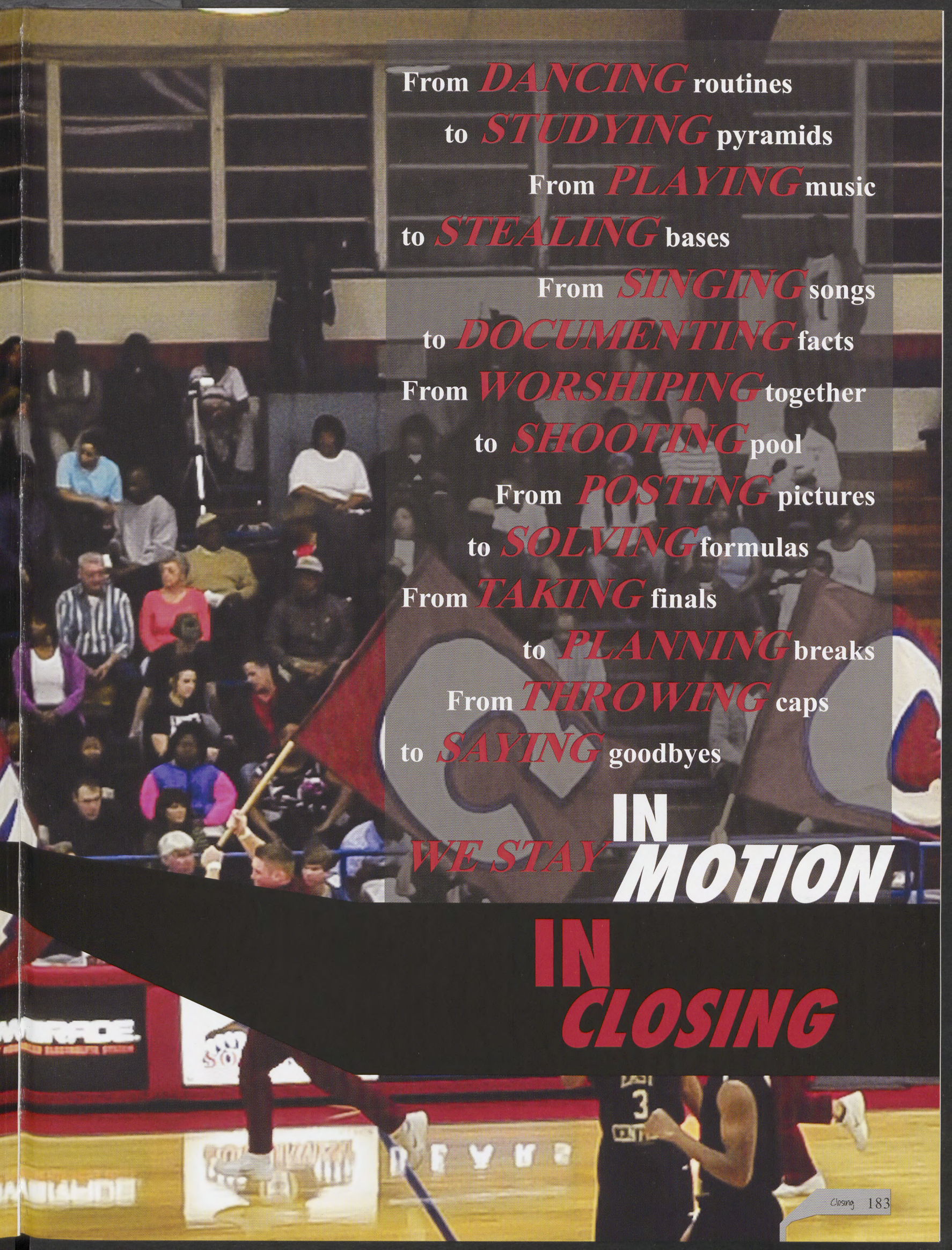


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The journalism classes at Southwest Mississippi Community College created the *2013 Whispering Pines*, Volume 81 under the direction of instructor Joyce Mabry. Balfour Publishing, Dallas, Texas, printed the book; Brandy Seawright was the company representative. Individual student and faculty portraits were taken by King Photography, and other photos were taken by staff, Sammikay Clark, Joyce Mabry, Connie Rawlins Photography, Barry Boyd Photography, Eddie McCalip, Jerel Harris and Chuck Barnes Photography. Press run was 1000

Cover

The material for the cover was Black Matte with red ink accompanied with a clear uv varnish silkscreen. The fonts Futura and Pea Hart were used on the cover and for headline and sub-headlines. The logo was created by the staff and designed by Balfour cover artist designer Stephen Williams.

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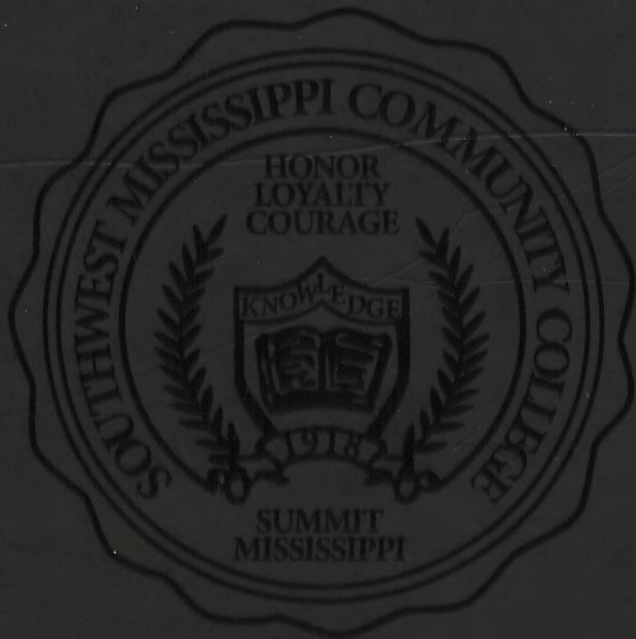
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